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Five-Year Plan Proposed...

## The Question Of Open Space In Agawam...

by Dale Fiske

Advertiser News Municipal Writer

**PUBLISHER'S NOTE:** In the first in a series of articles and commentaries, AAN Municipal Writer Dale Fiske will examine the town's ambitious and proposed Open Space and Recreation Plan, which, from all evidence gathered, centers around building a perimeter of open space around the planned Route 57 Extension Project's corridor, which extends through land from the present Route 57 through Feeding Hills. The Town Council must approve the package before it can be enacted in Agawam.

Two public hearings have been conducted by the Agawam Conservation Commission to hear public response to the proposed Open Space and Recreation Plan.

This five-year program was prepared by the Agawam Planning Board, the Planning Objectives Committee, Land Preservation Committee, the Office of Planning and Community Development, and the Conservation Service's 1967 planning requirements to encourage a systematic method of meeting local and regional conservation, recreation, and open space needs.

According to Conservation Commission Chairman Henry Kozloski, "The plan identifies areas deficient in active and passive recreation areas (in Agawam). The town has to start planning now for open space in the future.

"Plans will be periodically updated. With the future building of Route 57, there will be pressure on the town to build (development). We need to protect our open spaces now."

### Ambitious First-Year Plan

According to the written proposal, plans for the first year suggest that the town use funding from the 1985 Transportation Bond Issue to purchase Tuckahoe Turf Farm off South West Street, Feeding Hills (266 acres); acquire in fee and/or development rights of Leonard Pond and its surrounding wetlands (also off South West Street, 10-acre pond, 40-acres of land); and purchase the former Agawam YMCA property (about 33-acres, already been purchased for \$125,000 by the town, and a recent proposal by Town Manager Reid S. Charles has included the abutting Old Mill Pond parcel for purchase by the town as well).

Also, the first-year plans calls for studying, with the School Department, the Campanelli property to determine its best use (approximately 25-acres, end of Clover Hill Drive, Feeding Hills); to become involved with the Department of Environmental Management in its plan for the development of a Connecticut River corridor; to encourage the Agawam Country Club to remain under Chapter 61B (recreational land), so the town would have first option on purchase if the property were to be sold; and to purchase May Hollow West parcel (part of Phase IV Sewer Project, North West Street-Park Edge Drive).

The 1985 Transportation Bond issue, according to Community Planner Deborah Dachos, is state-appropriated money for transportation. It is up to a \$10 million appropriation for the purchasing land adjacent to public ways.

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**LEONARD POND** off South West Street, Feeding Hills, which consumes about 10-acres, is targeted by the town's proposed open space plan to be bought, as well as 40-abutting acres of land, both owned by Donald Faits. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Bids Out On Danahy Project

Diligence and perseverance has finally paid-off for the Agawam Housing Authority, according to board Chairman Frank Chriscola and Executive Director Phylliss Mason, as the AHA this week received the green light from the Commonwealth to send the former Katherine Danahy School to go out to bid for the elderly housing project.

The school was closed by the School Department in 1981 due to declining enrollment in the Agawam schools. Since the time the town turned the building over to the AHA for the planned elderly project, the local board has traveled through mounds of red tape to get the project to its present status.

Chriscola was naturally delighted that the project has finally gone to bid. "It's been a long time in coming. The staff and the board have worked hard and long for this project to come into fruition and I'm personally happy that before too long it will become a reality," noted Chriscola.

The project will consist of the conversion of the Danahy School building as well as demolition of the side building at the North Agawam site. A new addition will be constructed. Overall, 25 standard one-bedroom elderly units and 10 congregate elderly units will be built.

Also, the construction of three family townhouses and a barrier-free family unit on Franklin Street, Feeding Hills, is slated as part of the project. The AHA currently operates Brady Village, a housing project on the corner of Franklin and Springfield Streets in Feeding Hills.

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# Is Your Number UP???

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**CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEMBERS REVIEW the town's open space plan at a public hearing last month. Chairman Henry Kozloski is in center.** Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**THE ROAD LEADING INTO the 266-acre Tuckahoe Turf Farm on South West Street, Feeding Hills. The parcel is being targeted by the town for future purchase.** Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## OPEN SPACE - From Page 1...

Under Massachusetts General Laws on differential tax assessment, Chapter 61 relates to taxation and comes into play under the Open Space and Recreation Program's "Strategy for the Preservation of Farmland in Agawam." Chapter 61 corresponds to forest lands; Chapter 61A to farmlands; and Chapter 61B to recreational lands.

Because of these laws, owners of property under them receive tax breaks.

Chapter 61, forest lands, provides for taxation assessment of five percent of the full and fair market value; and Chapter 61B, recreational land and open space, is taxed at 25 percent of full and fair market value. With Chapter 61-A, farmlands, the Agricultural Preservation Restrictions (APR's) program may be used by the farmers who own the land.

Farmers may agree, voluntarily, to have a restriction on development placed on their land. They retain ownership of the property, but development rights are denied and the land remains agricultural in perpetuity. The benefit to farmers is that they are compensated for the difference between agricultural and developmental value of their property.

Naturally, property sold for development is of much higher value.

While Chapters 61, 61A, and 61B aid property owners, it also gives the town first refusal on these properties should the owners decide to sell. In other words, the town has the first opportunity to buy these properties if they go on the block.

### Tuckahoe Owner Says "Won't Sell"

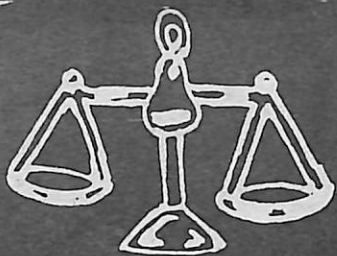
Steve Donahue, owner of Tuckahoe Turf Farm, an area once proposed for a business and executive park, with condominiums in Feeding Hills, and one of the parcels of land targeted by the town for purchase, said that the Conservation Commission's mandate is to "serve the town." He told us he is not interested in selling the land.

"They (the Conservation Commission) have identified open space areas that would in their minds benefit the town in the future.

"The land we own is an integral part of our sod operation and it is irreplaceable. We cannot move our operation half-a-mile down the road to someplace nearby. There is not another piece of property like the one we now own nearby."

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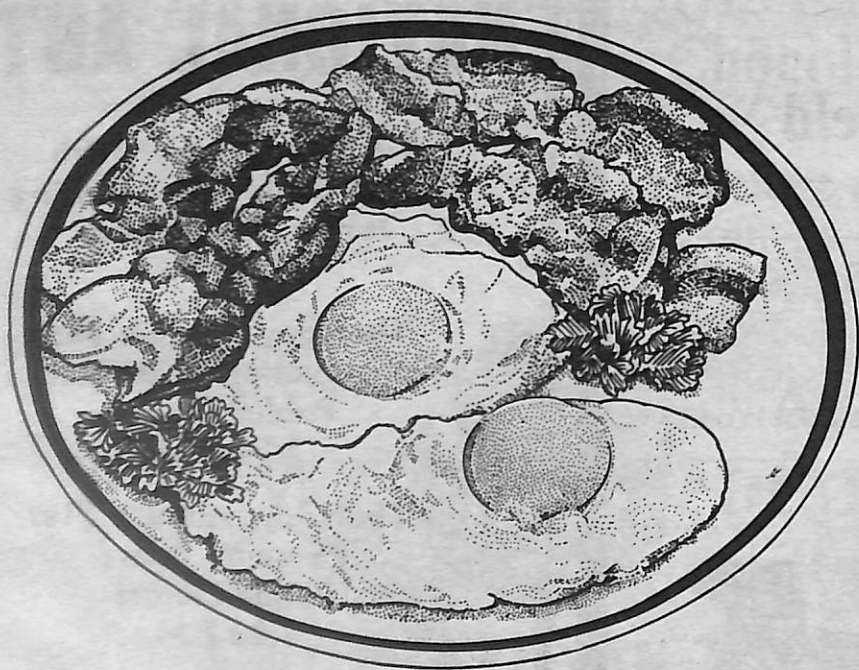
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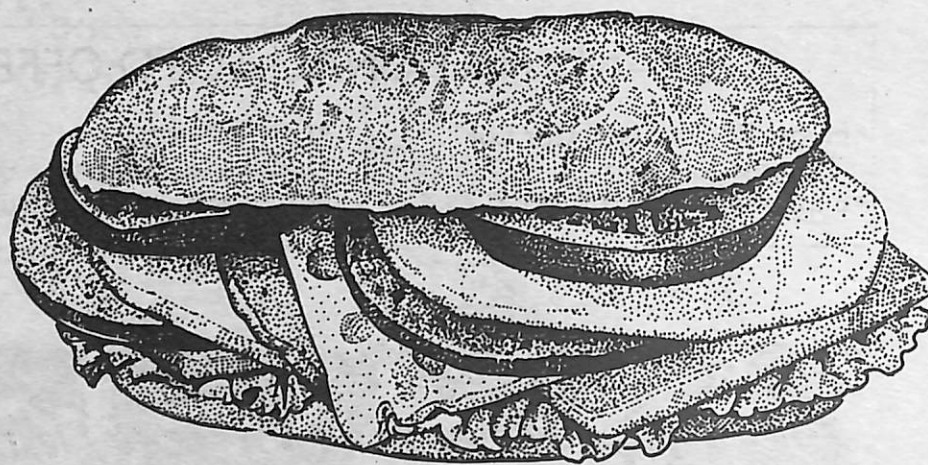
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# Nursery School For Y Property Proposed

by Dale Fiske  
Advertiser News Municipal Writer

Nursery school classes are planned to be offered by the Town of Agawam to pre-school children at Perry Lane Park, home of the former Springfield YMCA property on Perry Lane. The seven-member Agawam YMCA Study Committee approved the plan at its Tuesday, August 5th meeting.

If approved by Town Council, classes are tentatively scheduled to begin the first Monday in October and continue through the end of May, according to Parks and Recreation Director Jack Kunasek.

The town recently purchased the 33-acre site which includes three tennis courts, swimming pool, pavilion, and a building where the Springfield Y operated the Small World Nursery School since 1972, although it was discontinued this year.

At Monday night's meeting of Town Council, Council Vice-President Dorothy Nelsen addressed the possibility of a nursery school being located at the Agawam Y facility. The issue is slated to be discussed and voted on at the council's September 8th meeting.

According to Town Manager Reid S. Charles, because the council has already discussed the matter under a parliamentary move called "suspending of the rules," which allows discussion of a matter not on the agenda, the council could vote on the proposal at its September 22nd meeting.

Kunasek said that sign-up sheets are ready and names for the October enrollment will be accepted, providing of course that parents realize the school cannot operate without first receiving council approval.

Kunasek said resident Maryann Page has agreed to direct the school. She would be assisted by an aide who has yet to be named.

The nursery school will be available for three and four year-olds. There will be four sessions. Three year-olds can meet in Tuesday and Thursday classes from either 9:00 to 11:30 a.m., or 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. Four year-olds will attend Monday, Wednesday, and Friday sessions for either 9:00 to 11:30 a.m., or 12:30 to 3:00 p.m.

The school program will be similar to kindergarten and embrace minor classroom situations, including

learning experiences and social interactions. The course descriptions outline social and emotional development, motor skill development, getting involved with groups, researching new ideas, and nursery skills. The program also will stress improving a child's creativity.

Nominal fees will be charged on a monthly basis. For a three-day session, the cost is \$60 per month, and for the two-day, \$45 per month.

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In other business of the committee, Charles told members he is looking into the acquisition of the Old Mill Pond property, which abuts the Y's southern boundary.

The committee has asked the town administration to look into possible acquisitions which would promote security and provide natural topographical continuations.

According to committee member Nancy Modzelewski, the town has applied for two state grants. The town should know next week if it qualifies for an Urban Self-Help Grant which would reimburse up to 90 percent of the \$125,000 purchase price of the park.

Mrs. Modzelewski said the second grant would reimburse the town for up to 80 percent of the conservation land in the park.

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According to Kunasek, he is preparing a budget for the park and said he will submit a proposal of \$25,000 for Charles to consider for work on the swimming pool. Kunasek said the pool should be ready for next summer, although it does need extensive work.

Security is also a concern of the committee since vandalism has plagued the Y property for several months. The committee suggested that the six-room house on the grounds be renovated (about \$50,000) for a full-time Y supervisor to reside.

The committee will meet again on Thursday, September 4th, review the status of the grants and do more homework for the council's September 8th session.

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New construction will include wood frame with brick veneer or vinyl siding and asphalt shingle roofs, according to bid specifications.

Work is estimated to cost approximately \$2.6 million. Bid documents will be available for public inspection at the offices of architects Smits/Vitols Design Group, Boston, or at the AHA August 12th.

Filed sub-bids for masonry, tile, resilient, flooring, painting, elevator, plumbing, heating, and ventilating and electrical work will be received at the AHA until 2:00 p.m., August 27th.

General bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, September 11th. Any local businesses interested in submitting a sub-bid or general bid are urged to contact the AHA for more information. Bid documents, said Mrs. Mason, may also be examined locally at Dodge Reports in West Springfield.

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Donahue added, "We cover all our property. It's important that all our property be near each other. The integral part of our need is that we require a certain amount of acreage to cover our overhead costs. We are not at all interested in selling that piece of property."

At one of its public hearing, Conservation Commissioners asked Donahue what his outlook for the future might be concerning the land. He responded, "We're planting this year for 1988. There is a growing demand for our product. We have been in the business since the 1960's and we intend to continue this. Our intention is to stay in the sod business. That's the only thing we do."

Donald Faits, owner of Leonard Pond, another area target for town acquisition, also said his property is not for sale. He said, "My contention is that we have owned this property through four generations. We are not developers. I'm engaged in growing Christmas trees and we intend to forward that goal."

"We have bought equipment for this purpose. Another goal is to forward ecological balance and general maintenance practices on the parcel. The circumstances are that there is protection in our owning it. We are responsible in conservation matters. There are duck boxes and we are starting to see a resurgence of Wood Duck populations," said Faits.

Another thought Faits has is that the land is too accessible for the town to manage. If the town gets hold of it, it won't be maintained and beer parties by teenagers will be held there," he said.

"We are not developers. My top priority is that we, as the Faits family, keep the land and maintain it. SERIES CONTINUES NEXT WEEK.....

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### President's Message

**Richard E. Aldrich**  
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"Our Board of Directors meeting July 22nd was very informative. Greater Springfield Chamber President Robert Schwarz and Board Chairman Ben Jones talked about some of the anticipated changes for the Chamber. I am pleased to announce that our affiliation agreement with the Greater Springfield Chamber is now in place for the current year.

"With vacation season upon us, it's sometimes difficult to get together for meetings and to participate in as many extra-curricular activities as we'd like. Nevertheless, I hope to see you at the upcoming outing of the Agawam and West Springfield Chambers. It's an excellent opportunity to relax, have fun, and get acquainted with fellow members."

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During the week of October 20th, each volunteer will make one or two 30-minute presentations in one of the participating schools. Speakers will work from an agenda that will include a combination of prepared script and their own material. Detailed information will be mailed to voting members shortly. If you or one of your top level managers would like more information, contact the chamber, 787-1555.

**THE AGAWAM BOARD OF DIRECTORS...**are looking forward to the Annual Meeting with the Boards of the East Longmeadow, Ludlow, Springfield, and West Springfield Chambers.

The meeting, which will take place September 18th at the Big E, allows directors to meet their counterparts from Springfield and the affiliated Chambers to compare notes and share ideas.

**CONGRESSMAN SILVIO CONTE...**will speak at a joint breakfast meeting of the Agawam and West Springfield Chambers in October. Details will be announced in the coming weeks.

## Registry Of Deeds Reports Tremendous Sales

Hampden County Register of Deeds Donald E. Ashe announced that for the first time in the history of the Hampden County Registry of Deeds, over \$1 million was turned over to the county, and over \$2 million was turned over to the state during the fiscal year beginning July 1st, 1985, and ending June 30th, 1986.

A total of \$3,419,923.38 was collected at the Registry from recording fees and tax stamps during that year. Of this, \$2,076,118.93 was turned over to the state from the sale of excise tax stamps sold by the Registry at the time of recording deeds, based on a fee of \$2.28 per \$1,000, according to the purchase price recited on the deed.

The remaining \$1,343,804.45 was given to Hampden County from recording fees. These figures compare to the \$2,344,109.38 of income collected by the Registry during fiscal 1984/1985, \$1,347,931.65 of which had gone to the state, and \$996,177.73 to the county.

This represents a 54 percent increase in state fees collected, and a 35 percent increase in county fees collected.

The monies collected this past fiscal year totaled over \$1 million more than that collected in the previous fiscal year, which represents a 45.89 percent total increase.

In fiscal 1982, \$1,053,055.73 was the total amount collected by the Hampden County Registry of Deeds. A comparison to this year's \$3,419,923.38 represents a 225 percent increase.

The Registry recorded a total of 82,089 documents during fiscal 85/86, a 37.5 percent increase over the total of 59,694 recorded in fiscal 84/85.

Register Ashe feels that this may be the best year for the home resale market since 1978. Ashe points out that according to the National Association of Realtors Housing Affordability Index, nearly half of the nation's families can now afford to buy the median priced, existing single family home.

In the Hampden County area, the average price of a single family home is \$93,081. The index recently exceeded the 100 mark for the first time in seven years. When the index is at 100, a family earning the national median income is earning exactly enough for a mortgage on a median-priced resale home. The last time

the index was at 100 or more was in 1978.

The hot real estate market, combined with the rush of thousands of homeowners to refinance while interest rates are low, is slowing the system. Some real estate professionals even warn of a kind of mortgage gridlock, where the system of obtaining or refinancing a home mortgage nearly grinds to a halt.

Real estate agents, attorneys, bankers, and state officials say delays in processing mortgage applications are only going to get longer. The whole system is under enormous stress. The systems just aren't equipped to deal with this kind of volume. To get some control, banks have either added staff or granted all the overtime anyone wants.

While realtors, attorneys, and banks are feeling the tremendous strain brought about by the real estate boom, each agency handles only a small percentage of the total activity. The Registry of Deeds, on the other hand, involves itself with every real estate transaction occurring in Hampden County.

"We have no indication that this business is slowing down. June of 1986 showed a 64 percent increase over June of 1985," Ashe reported. Register Ashe predicts a 35 percent increase in transactions and monies during the next fiscal year.

Ashe stated that all of this activity has caused recording levels at the Registry of Deeds to reach an all-time high, and create serious problems.

Since the Registry is a county office, it falls under the strict constraints of Proposition 2½, greatly limiting its ability to meet the challenge of change and growth. Laws requiring the Registry to keep a hard copy of each document, and to keep the original deed in Land Court, will result in absolute lack of space in only a couple of years.

"These problems are not unique to our Registry," reports Ashe. "They plague all registries in the Commonwealth."

"At the present time, we are working with outmoded and archaic equipment which is not conducive to a cost effective operation. The installation of a sorely needed computer system, if approved, will at last bring the Registry of Deeds into the 20th century. Without such a system, the Registry faces serious repercussions in the immediate future," Ashe said.

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# Special Olympians Excel At Camp Rainbow



CAMP RAINBOW, the town's Park & Recreation Department's summer camp, held its Annual Special Olympics last week at Robinson Park Elementary School. Again this year, the *Advertiser News* is running a special centerfold (Pages 12 & 13) on the day. Pictured above are Special Olympians with camp counselors. Back row - Amanda Hamel, Bill Fortier, Barbara Murphy, Michele Montesi (counselor), Marlo Montesi (assistant counselor), and Jilda Navick. Also, Joshua Darbe, Michael Burba, Corey Eddy, Jennifer Vigue, Eric Scott, and Joshua Kaeble. Also, Greg Squazza, Pamela Michon, Kevin Rivers, and Nancy Bazanchuk (front row). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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**YOUNG PATSY CAPACCIO** was quite pleased to be participating in the Annual Special Olympics at Camp Rainbow last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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## Agawam Obituaries

### John S. Welch

Agawam: John S. Welch, 18, of 129 Liberty Street, Feeding Hills, died recently at home. Born in Westfield, he had lived in West Granville before moving to Feeding Hills in 1984. He was employed by the Southwick Package Store and Chuck's Steak House in Southwick. A June graduate of Southwick High School, he had been a member of the school's soccer and baseball teams. He is survived by his parents, George M. and Betty J. (Kelley) Welch; a brother, Jay M. stationed with the Navy Seabees in Bremerton, Washington; a sister, Kelly E. Tresnak of Junction City, Kansas; and his grandparents, Richard F. and Elizabeth G. (Laird) Kelley of Westfield, J.M. Welch of Canton, Connecticut, and Frances (Malone) Welch of Tolland. The funeral was held Wednesday at the Southwick Funeral Home with burial in New Cemetery, Southwick.

### Richard Hollander

Hartford: Richard Hollander, 81, of 31 Woodland Street, former owner of a women's clothing manufacturing and retail concern in Lima, Peru, and Dallas, Texas, died recently in St. Francis Hospital & Medical Center.

Born in Germany, he had lived in Peru before coming to the United States in 1965 when he settled in Springfield. He moved to Hartford in 1978.

He was on the German Olympic track team in the 1920s.

His brother, Alfred Hollander, died July 15th while vacationing in Germany.

He leaves a son, Miguel of Agawam, Massachusetts, and two grandchildren.

A graveside service was in Beth El Cemetery, West Springfield. Harold R. Ascher & Son Memorial Chapel, Springfield, was in charge. Memorial contributions may be made to the Agawam Lions Club or to the American Diabetes Association.

### Esther C. Ballard

Agawam: Esther C. (Hudon) Ballard, 86, formerly of Adams Street, a bookkeeper at the former Brigham's Department Store for many years, died Saturday, August 2nd, in a local nursing home. Born in West Springfield, she lived in this area all of her life and was a communicant of St. John's Church. Her husband, Aldon C. Ballard, died in 1975. She leaves a nephew,

## Westfield Savings Bank Again Experiences Record Gains

Westfield Savings Bank has once again experienced record increases in assets and deposits for the second quarter of 1986, according to Chairman of the Board, Arthur Knapp.

Figures released by Knapp at the July 15th quarterly trustees meeting show that growth in deposits has more than quadrupled last year's increase, and asset growth in 1986 is double that of 1985.

Assets for the second quarter of 1986 rose \$8,707,322 — while they grew \$3,999,471 in 1984. Total assets currently stand at \$231,323,698.

Deposits last year increased \$1,930,307; this year they vaulted \$8,038,852. Total deposits are at \$209,170,782.

Earnings remain high at Westfield Savings Bank. Knapp reported earnings of \$1,933,428 to date for this year.

Victor Hudon. The funeral was at Curran-Jones Funeral Home, West Springfield, with burial in St. Michael's Cemetery, Springfield.

### Mary Beele

Agawam: Mary (Clark) Beele, 77, of 24 Losito Lane, died recently in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield. Born in Springfield, she lived in the area all of her life and in Agawam for eight years. She was a communicant of St. John's Church and was the first child baptized at Holy Name Church, Springfield, in 1909. Her husband, Philip H. Beele, died in 1979. She leaves three sons, Philip C. of Agawam, John M. of Chicago, and George F. of Washington, D.C.; a daughter, Barbara A. Basdekis of the Feeding Hills section; two sisters, Florence Burke of New Haven, Connecticut, and Grace Karmazyn of Fort Myers, Florida, and 10 grandchildren. The funeral was Wednesday morning at Curran-Jones Funeral Home and in the church with burial in St. Michael's Cemetery, Springfield.

### Alfred W. Souckau

Agawam: Alfred W. Souckau, 65, of 188 South Westfield Street in the Feeding Hills section, a retired 20-year letter carrier, died recently in Veterans Hospital, Northampton. He retired in 1976. Born in New York City, he had lived in Feeding Hills six mon-

ths. He was a Marine Corps veteran of World War II. He leaves his wife, the former Dolores Orsilini; three sons, Richard of Feeding Hills, Kenneth of Waterford, Connecticut, and John stationed in Groton, Connecticut, with the Navy; four daughters, Donna Avery, Janet Maynard, both of Westfield, Carol Gonzales of Southwick, and Lorianne Forrette of Feeding Hills; and six grandchildren. The funeral will be Friday morning at the Curran-Jones Funeral Home and in Sacred Heart Church with burial in the Springfield Street Cemetery, Feeding Hills.

### Alfreida Coles

Agawam: Alfreida Coles, 43, of 48 Paul Revere Drive in the Feeding Hills section, a resident manager at Van Guard Friends of the Retarded, died recently in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield. Born in The Bronx, New York, she lived in Springfield 11 years before moving to Feeding Hills a year ago. She leaves three sons, Terry Coles of Feeding Hills, Darryl Matthews of Ithaca, New York, and Tyrone Matthews of Spring Valley, California; a daughter, Renee Matthews of Springfield; two brothers, Frank and James I. Jr.; a sister, Mary Coles, all of Bronx, and a grandchild. The funeral was at McCall's Bronxwood Funeral Home, The Bronx, with burial in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Hastings-on-Hudson, New York. Henderson Funeral Home, Springfield, was in charge, locally.

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## BACK TO SCHOOL!

On Wednesday, August 27th, the AAN will publish its Annual "Back to School Issue" with the Agawam School Department and School Committee. Included will be all the school bus schedules for the coming year. Deadline for news and advertising is Saturday morning, August 23rd, at 11:00 a.m. Final Deadline!





# Families

## Frank Chriscola Celebrates 79th Birthday



**FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS GATHERED FOR A PARTY** to celebrate the 79th birthday of Frank Chriscola, a long-time civic and political leader in Agawam last week. The birthday boy is in the first row, third from right, standing.

## Another Successful 2-Day Bash For Phillips'



**PUDGY & MARCIA PHILLIPS** held their 9th Annual Two-Day Picnic & Bash at their 34 Homer Street home last weekend. Enjoying the festivities are, from left - Ray & Shirley Saracino, Pudgy & Marcia; Phyllis & Gerry Mason (with big cigar), and Jan & Jimmy Silenski.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## La Leche League To Meet In West Springfield

Mothers who wish to breastfeed their babies will find encouragement and information at the Agawam-West Springfield La Leche League. There will be a morning and an evening meeting each month. The evening meeting is Monday, August 11th, at 8:00 p.m., at 44 Craig Drive, Apartment K-2, West Springfield. Nursing babies are welcome.

The league offers mother-to-mother help in a series of four monthly meetings based on the manual "The Womanly Art of Breastfeeding."

The meeting discussions include the latest medical research, as well as personal experience. Other services include a lending library of books on childbirth, child care, and breastfeeding.

For further information, call Sue, 732-9256, or Jeanne, 739-7923.

## Ann Demasi Named Manager At Holyoke Hospital

Holyoke Hospital Vice President of Nursing, Dorothy Blair, has announced that Ann Demasi, R.N., of Feeding Hills, has been named nurse manager of the hospital's Coronary Care Unit.

Ms. Demasi is a 1974 graduate of Holyoke Hospital's School of Nursing, and is currently enrolled at American International College, where she is nearing completion of a bachelor of science degree.

She has extensive experience in cardiac medical, cardiac surgical, and intensive care nursing at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Youngstown, Ohio.

In addition, she is a former assistant Intensive Care Unit manager at Wesson Memorial Hospital, Springfield.

## Deborah Saliba Engaged To Robert Kenneth Edgley, III

Mr. & Mrs. James E. Saliba would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Deborah Jean Saliba, to Robert Kenneth Edgley, III.

Miss Saliba is employed at Leader Mortgage in East Longmeadow as an assistant loan processor. Her fiancé is an Armor Crewman in the U.S. Army, currently stationed with the 2nd Infantry Division, Korea.

Mr. Edgley, III is the son of Robert and Paula Edgley, II.

A May 30th, 1987 wedding is planned.

For glossy copies of photos in this edition, please call Jack at home, 789-0053

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**Saturday, August 9th**  
Annual District 7 Picnic  
Agawam VFW - South Street  
11:00 a.m. until ???

**July 28th - August 17th**  
Longest Day Of Golf  
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**Saturday, August 9th**  
Benefit Car Wash  
Agawam High Class of 1987  
Agawam Middle School  
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, August 22nd**  
Annual School Bus Tour  
Junior Women's Club  
Agawam Public Library  
10:00 a.m.



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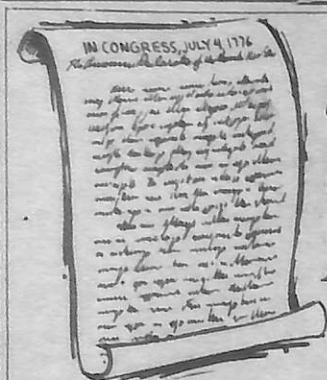
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## in old Agawam

by Marilyn & Dick Curry - Local Historians

### AGAWAM AT WAR: In The Shadow Of The Great Fortress: FORT TICONDEROGA...Part III

#### The Road To Ticonderoga And Glory

We can only imagine the suffering encountered by our local soldiers who tramped off toward the northern forests and the stone fortress of Fort Ticonderoga.

In Hamilton's book *Fort Ticonderoga* the author makes reference to two wilderness roads that would have been followed by anyone from Western Massachusetts headed for the great stronghold.

In speaking of the mid-1700's period, Hamilton notes: "From Boston, a road ran west to Worcester and on to Springfield, crossed the Connecticut on a ferry, and then, more trail than road, struggled up the Berkshires, over mountains that rise like going upstairs, then down to lower levels and on to Claverack on the Hudson, where it met the New York-Albany post road. At this point, the forest road led northward to the lakes region and Ticonderoga.

Again Hamilton states: "By about 1750, there was a second road to Albany which passed north of Worcester, crossed the Connecticut near Deerfield, and then, probably more pack trail than road, followed up the valley of the Deerfield River, across rugged Hoosuck Mountain, and then over more gentle terrain, passed through Williamstown and on to Albany."

For those who cannot conceive as to the dangers of travel along these two highways, we need only to refer to Hamilton's brief but descriptive words concerning their nature: "One must not think of a colonial road to have been anything like those of today, when almost all have been given a bituminous or concrete top. Look for the crudest, roughest country road that you can find, and you will have an idea about what they were like — muddy or dusty, rutted and at times, almost impassable in places.

And there were yet to be faced the ever-threatening chance of a person's getting completely lost in the wilderness, subject to the impending threat of wild animals and, of course, the fierce natives of the region."

From Albany northward, the trails became increasingly dangerous. Ever since the Dutch had established a Fort (Fort Orange) at Albany in the 1600's, this key location had developed into the focal point of much activity, both military and commercial, thereby ever increasing its importance. It was the center for all travel to and from Canada along the Hudson River Valley.

When the English assumed authority of the Dutch territories in that region, they naturally assumed a similar appreciation for this keynote location along the great water highway. Therefore, it is not surprising that with little exception, most of our local soldiery would have headed directly for Albany as the embarkation point toward Ticonderoga.

#### The Northern Army Of The Revolution

From the outset, it seemed destined that at least some portion of local gentry that offered service to the newly-formed American Army would eventually follow in the footsteps of their fathers and grandfathers, who had marched off to fight the French and Indians of northern New York during the years of the Seven Years War.

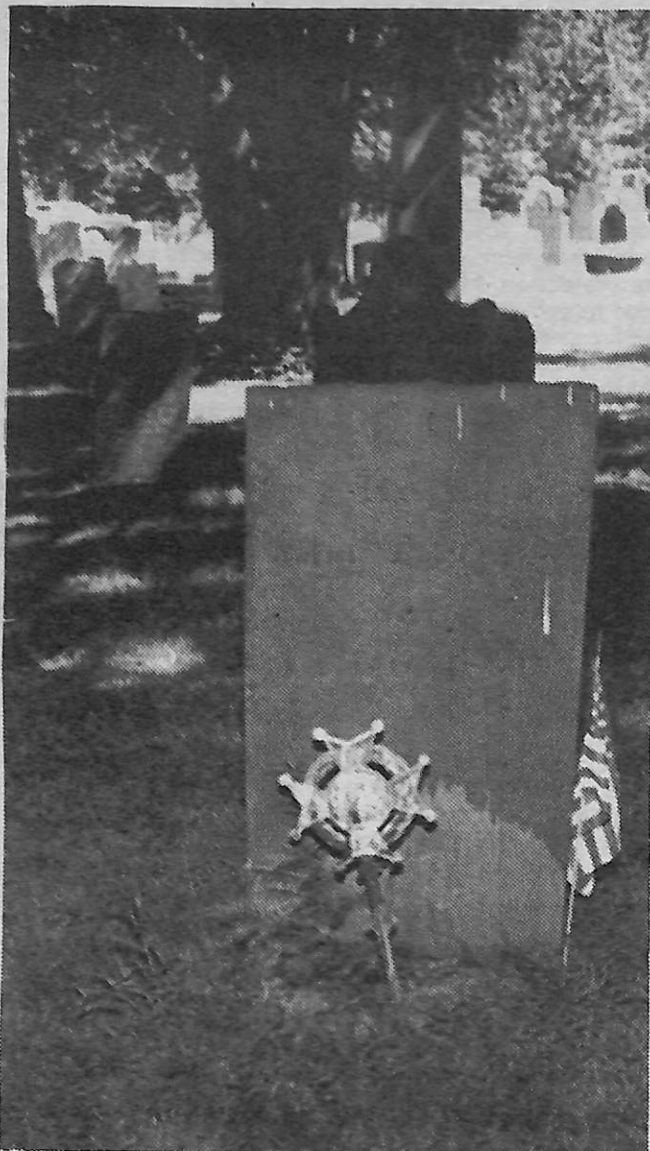
There was no secret as to the importance of this strategic location since it was the very means of demarcation between the New England colonies/states, and the rest of the British realm in North America.

Accordingly, it was the colony of New York that was to remain the mainstay of protection against an invading army from Canada (were the colonies to remain intact). Small wonder that New Englanders never failed to answer the call of duty to thwart any enemy attacks directed toward this crucial and vital piece of real estate (that linked Lake Champlain to Lake George and the Hudson River).

#### Agawam Men March Off To The Northern Army

From the very beginning of the American Revolution, New Englanders had joined in the almost futile efforts of the gathering army of New York in an attempt to prevent a British force from moving down the great waterway.

Town historian Edith LaFrancis makes mention of a number of local men who were to serve the "Northern Department," as it was called. "Those known to have served with the Northern Army are Nathan Rowley, Preserved Leonard, Enoch Cooper, Samuel Flower, Timothy Burbank, Seth Adams, John Porter, Thaddeus Bowe, Joseph Copley, Ozias Flower, William Allen and Peleg Combs."



**THE GRAVE OF JOHN PORTER, who served with General Benedict Arnold when the American Northern Army delayed the British forces at the Battle of Valcour Island on Lake Champlain, very near Fort Ticonderoga. The grave is in a local cemetery.** Advertiser News photo by

Jack Devine.

Quite possibly, there were more than those herein mentioned who might have taken some part in the activities of this foremost American Army. However, to date, insufficient data does not refer to any other local men other than those listed in the town history.

#### Lieutenant John Porter

Perhaps the most significant member of this esteemed list of soldiers from Agawam and Feeding Hills is the name of John Porter. Porter's tenure of service seems almost sporadic, although he participated right from the very earliest dates of the war years. Porter's name is mentioned as having served in a local company raised in 1774 for a period of six months duration.

Apparently, Porter was 34 years of age at the time and he was enlisted with the rank of ensign. Shortly thereafter, Porter was commissioned a lieutenant.

Apparently, Porter had been assigned to the company in which another local man, David Leonard, was a captain. Of particular note is the fact that a Colonel David Leonard is said to have died of smallpox at Ticonderoga in 1777. Presumably, the two David Leonards are one and the same. In any event, it is quite possible that Porter did indeed see some brief service at Ticonderoga.

Again, the town history states: (in the words of Porter's personal account of his services): "In the summer near fall of 1776, after Benedict Arnold's defeat on the lake, I joined the northern army and served for about two months. In 1777, I again turned out and served until Burgoyne was taken, being a term of nearly two months."

During Porter's tenure in the northern army, much activity of historical significance was taking place prior to and during his sojourn with that army.

In his own words, Porter places himself within the vicinity of Ticonderoga following Benedict Arnold's successful attempt to delay the advance of a British force under Sir Guy Carleton at the Battle of Valcour Island on Lake Champlain. Arnold's efforts stopped the advance of the British for at least a year.

Again, Porter places himself with the northern army for a two-month term during 1777 and remained there "until Burgoyne was taken." Porter's reference to British General Johnny Burgoyne's defeat would lead one to suppose that he (Porter) might have participated in the victorious Battle of Saratoga, whereby the American forces gave the British a decisive defeat (thereby ending the American Revolution in the north and giving cause for the French to enter the war on behalf of the United States). Without doubt, Porter must have rubbed shoulders with a number of veteran soldiers who had seen much action during the early years of the conflict in the north.

SEE TICONDEROGA - Page 10...

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Statistics show that sprinkler systems save lives and reduce fire damages by over 80 percent in some cases. Sprinklers have been used in commercial buildings for many years. The combined new technology of a quick-response sprinkler head, the reduced expense of installation, the use of plastic pipe, and the ability to blend the sprinkler into the decor of a room have all helped to increase the popularity and use of home sprinkler systems.

They are being included in plans for new homes, as well as being added to existing construction. Tests of these new systems show that sprinkler heads respond

to fire in as little as 35 seconds. When coupled with approved smoke detectors, they provide early warning and early extinguishment.

There are some common questions concerning home sprinklers. Some people worry about their going off accidentally.

According to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the loss records of Factory Mutual Research show that the probability of a sprinkler discharging accidentally due to a manufacturing defect is only one in 16,000,000 sprinklers per year in service.

Some people are concerned about the cost of installation. Again, the Federal Emergency Management Agency says that with the development of the quick-response systems supplied by a home's domestic water supply, a 2,000 square foot home under construction can be protected by a system costing from \$1,500 to \$2,000.

An older home can be reoutfitted for about twice that amount. Also, most insurance companies offer a sizeable discount for coverage of homes with sprinkler systems.



GINA M. VIGNATO & DONALD W. WILHITE

**Gina Marie Vignato Engaged  
To Donald Wayne Wilhite**

Mr. & Mrs. Gino Vignato of 34 Day Street, Feeding Hills, announce the engagement of their daughter, Gina Marie Vignato, to Donald Wayne Wilhite, son of Mrs. Jeanette Wilhite of 36 Preston Street, Springfield, and the late Jack Wayne Wilhite.

The future bride is a graduate of Agawam High School and Mansfield Beauty Academy. She is presently employed at Mr. Hair, Springfield.

Her fiancé was graduated from Roger L. Putnam Vocational High School and is the owner of the Top Hut Auto Trim, Springfield.

An October 10th wedding will be held in Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills.

**TICONDEROGA - From Page 9...**

Like most of the Agawam men who had marched off to war during the Revolution, Porter returned safely to his hometown where he lived the remainder of his life (until his death in 1834 at the age of 93).

The town history truly accounts for the fact that Porter continued to live an active life of service to this community, notably by way of his role as church deacon for the Second Parish, along with "parish assessor." Today, Porter is safely at rest within the quiet confines of the Center Cemetery in Agawam. His simple redstone marker reads: **Deacon John Porter, who died March 16th, 1834, Age 93.**

Marilyn & Dick Curry's popular column in old Agawam continues with Part IV of a series on Fort Ticonderoga next week...

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# Another Memorable Day For Agawam's



**CAMP RAINBOW SPECIAL OLYMPIANS** were forced indoors for the Annual Special Olympics last week, but that didn't dim the spirits of participants, back row, from left - Gary Desimone (assistant), Michelle Masso, Cheryl DeSpir (counselor), Maureen Walsh, Wendy Pudlo, and Bethaney Sudsbury. Front row - Cathy Rahilly, Donald Rankin, Celeste Lewis, Justin Stoddard, and Fred Stratton. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Photos by



**CAMP RAINBOW MEMBERS** Joshua Schatz and Jamie Vella enjoy corn-on-the-cob at Robinson Park School on Special Olympics Day last week. Despite rainy weather which forced the event indoors, a large turnout of Camp Rainbow members participated. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**MORE MEDALS** were given to row, from left - Mike Hogan, Terri Matthew Francis, and Danny Kozy Albano, Brian Griffin, Patsy Capa Eric Cibotowski. Counselors Spangenberg, Patsy Cavallo, and News photo by Jack Devine.



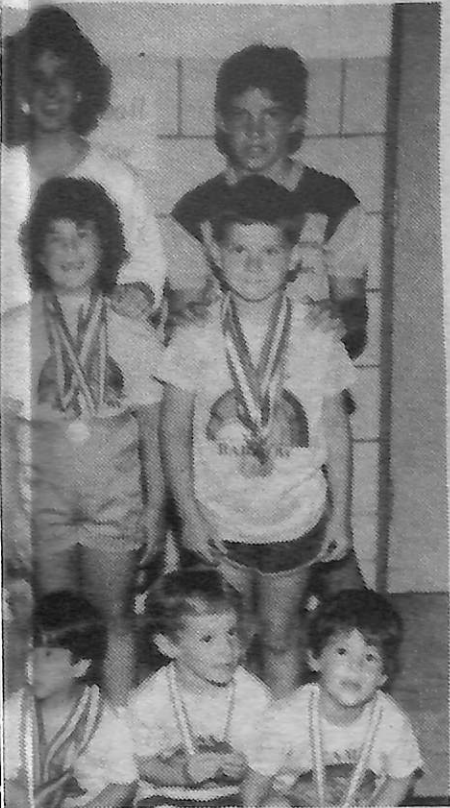
**GO FOR IT** was the slogan of the day for Camp Rainbow participants at the Annual Special Olympics. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**VOLUNTEERING THEIR TIME TO ASSIST THE** Annual Special Olympics at Robinson Park School including Terry Letellier, Chris Letellier, Russell Ann Rahilly, and Joe Conte. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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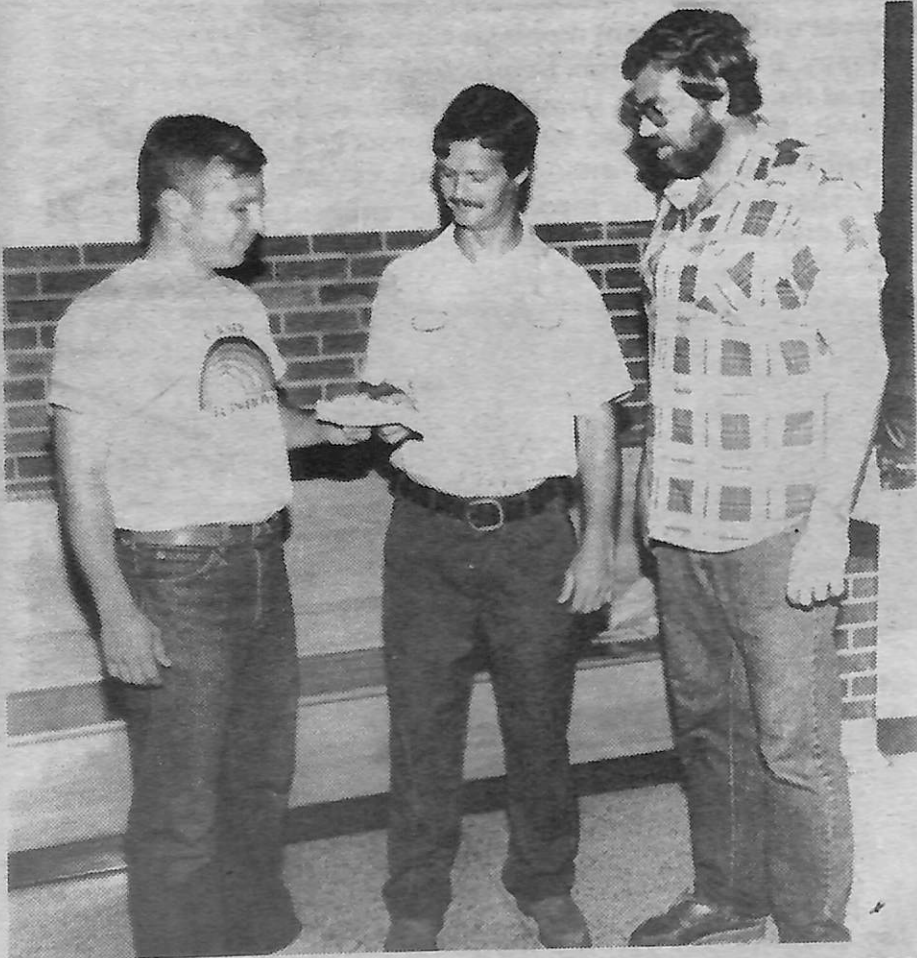


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**CAMP COUNSELOR FRED MONTESI** (back row, left) with his gang. Back row at Camp  
Rainbow's Special Olympics. Back row, from left - Kay Reid, Susan Rahilly, Tonda Hudson,  
and Amy Parolo. Middle row - Scott Griffin, Karen Hershowitz, Shelly Labbe, Theresa  
Shackford, and Brian Conlon. Front row - Chris Jackson, Joshua Schatz, Jamie Vella, and  
Jason Paine. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

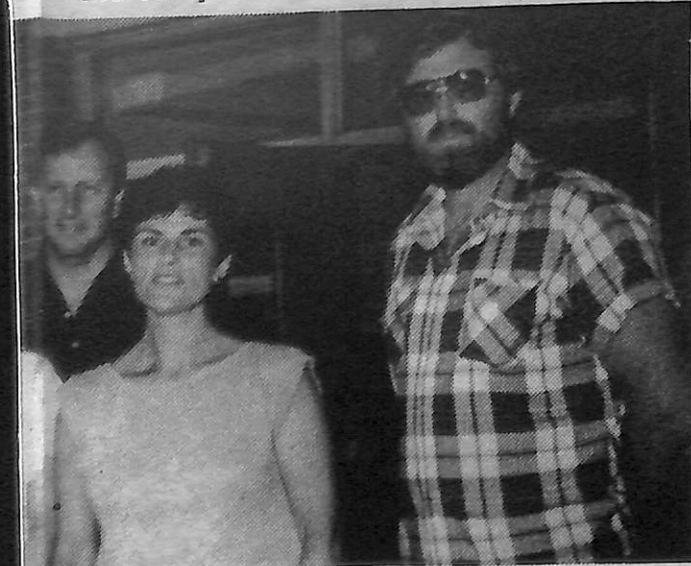
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**TED TUDRYN** (left), director of Camp Rainbow, receives a \$200  
donation from Italian Sporting Club President Larry Montagna  
as club Treasurer Joe Conte, Jr., looks on. The funds will benefit  
the camp. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

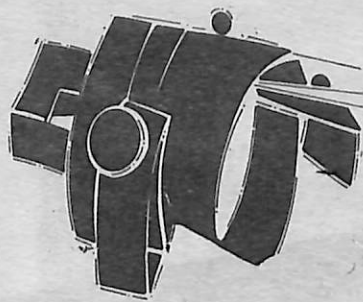


**THEIR SMILES MAKE IT ALL WORTHWHILE:** The brothers  
Jackson, Chris and Shawn, were simply delighted about the  
lunch they received at the Annual Special Olympics, sponsored  
last week by Camp Rainbow at Robinson Park School. Advertiser  
News photo by Jack Devine.



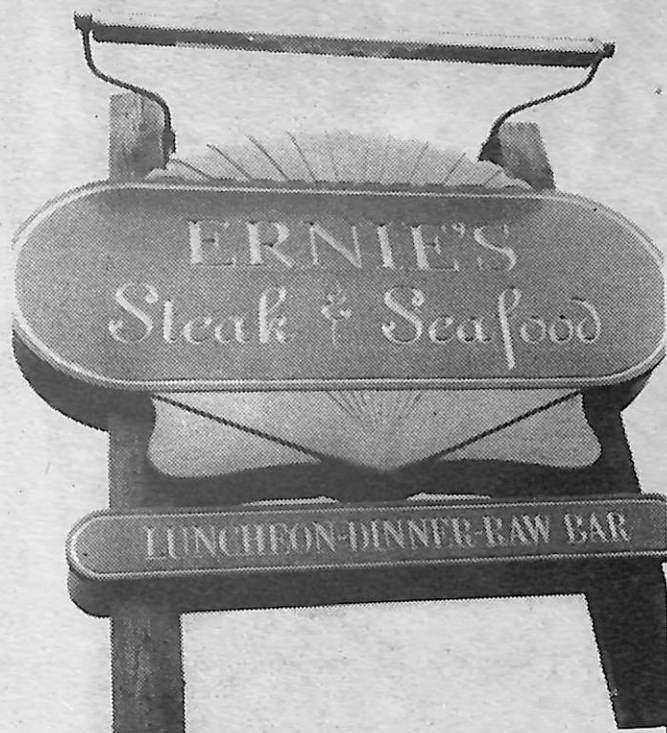
**THE SMOOTH** operation of Camp Rainbow's  
rk School are members of the "grill crew,"  
stall Jackson, Sharon Stratton, Joe Costanzo,  
by Jack Devine.



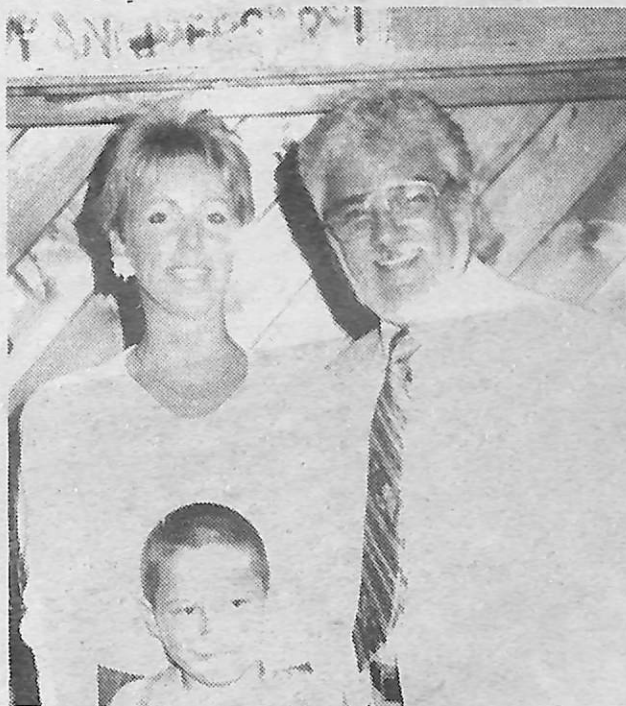


## Spotlight On Business.....

### Ernie's Steak & Seafood Celebrates 1st Anniversary



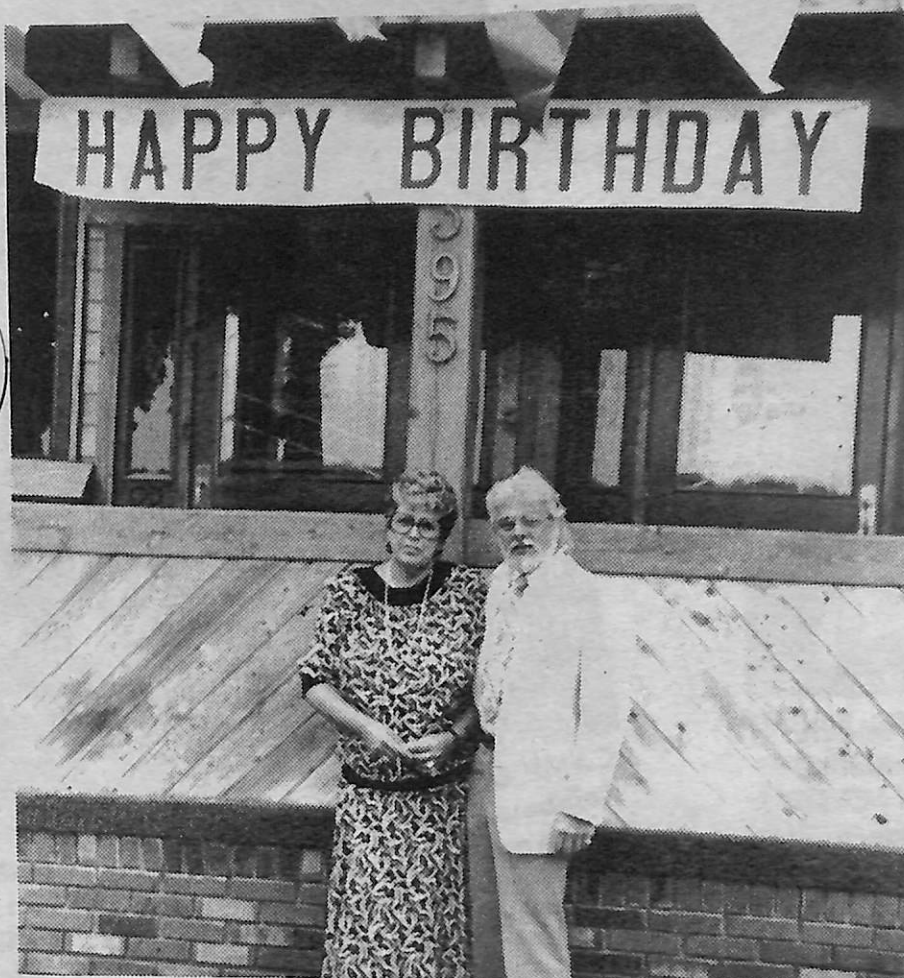
THE SIGN OUTSIDE Ernie's Steak & Seafood Restaurant on River Road says its all - a place where fine food and drink can be found. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ERNIE LOMBARDI and LOUISE JACKSON welcome young Justin Bushey to the restaurant last Friday night. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



TODD HART, raw bar (left) and Tom Gamelli, bar manager, had their hands full keeping up with the crowd last Friday night at Ernie's. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ERNIE LOMBARDI poses with restaurant manager Barbara Morrissey under the "Happy Birthday" sign before kicking-off a week-long celebration at the restaurant. Lombardi also owns the popular J.W. Wimpy's. Between the two restaurants, he employs over 100 people with an annual payroll of over \$500,000. Lombardi wishes to thank the local town government, liquor commission, and many Agawam patrons for their support over the past year. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



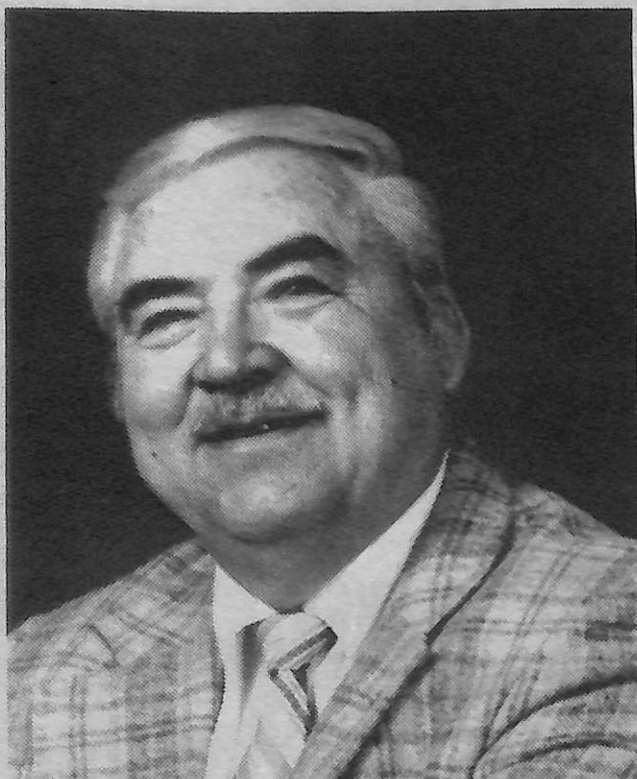
RESTAURANT EMPLOYEES Joe Grout (host), Barbara Morrissey (manager) and Roberta Barkett (assistant manager) were all smiles after a huge crowd came to celebrate the restaurant's one-year anniversary. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ERNIE LOMBARDI welcomes Bea & Jerry Kaufman, owners of Pinecrest Produce Company, at last Friday night's birthday party at Ernie's Steak & Seafood Restaurant. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



## Spotlight On Business - Continued...



**PAUL GALASKA**, owner of Heritage Sales, Inc.

### Heritage Sales Makes Plaques For Titanic

by Jolece Orsucci  
Advertiser News Feature Writer

Heritage Sales, Inc., on 90 Industrial Avenue, Agawam, was recently consigned to make two plaques to be mounted on the Titanic, deep in the bowels of the icy North Atlantic Ocean. As well as providing plaques, Heritage Sales also sells low reliefs, busts, statues, and cemetery hardware.

Started from scratch in 1965 by owner Paul S. Galaska, Heritage is a spin-off of Atlas Founders, which manufactures the items sold at Heritage Sales. Business extends an average of 50 miles from the business itself, with monuments in approximately 55 cemeteries.

Heritage Sales has many claims to fame behind its belt. As well as furnishing large cemeteries such as St. Thomas' and St. Michael's with monuments, they receive special requests from various parties to provide plaques, memorials, etc.

In the past, they have placed a Vietnam Memorial on Park Avenue in West Springfield, as well as a big monument for Carter Street Cemetery. Heritage hung 12x15-foot plaques for each Vietnam veteran killed in the war in a big park in Willimansett.

They also supplied the three local plaques honoring Ann Sullivan, the teacher of the famous Helen Keller. One is located at the South End Bridge; the second in Feeding Hills Center on a boulder; and the third marks Miss Sullivan's birthplace on South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills.

Galaska's secretary, Elaine Beaumier, said of the second plaque, "There is a plaque on the boulder honoring Ann Sullivan, but people don't realize that the copy on the back of the rock is in braille for blind people to read."

Heritage placed a plaque on the new school at St. Stanislaus, built after the original one burned down. The plaque is six feet square and contains 7,000 characters. Galaska's business also supplied the town seal on the West Springfield Town Hall, as well as a six foot heart in St. Michael's Cemetery.

Galaska has been a founder all his life. His business sells vases, crematories, columbarium hardware, mausoleum hardware, and corner markers for cemeteries.

Galaska told us, "People began asking about monuments, so we began designing them." If someone wishes to duplicate another monument, Heritage will custom cut a monument to duplicate the one desired.

Most of the granite the company buys is from Vermont, which is the biggest and best granite producer in the world. They also buy granite from Georgia, South Dakota, Canada, Sweden, and marble from Italy. There are five workers involved in Galaska's monument business, all of whom are presently working on a memorial for the veterans of the six major wars involving the United States.

Mrs. Beaumier relates that the business only advertises in the *Agawam Advertiser News*. Other clients hear of Heritage through referrals. Galaska states, "The best salesman you have is the past business you've done."

Associated Advertising of Springfield contracted Heritage Sales to make two plaques to be mounted on the Titanic, one of which has already been placed on the Titanic's bow. The second was ordered for the Springfield Explorer Club and is to be mounted shortly. Mrs. Beaumier concedes, "We kind of feel like we made a piece of history. It kind of makes you feel important."



**PAM SAVIOLI**, realtor of the month for Lewis & Arnold Realty.

### Pam Savioli Named Realtor Of The Month

Pam Savioli joined the real estate firm of Lewis & Arnold, Inc., Feeding Hills, June 1st, 1986. She was named "Realtor of the Month" in the company for July, having sales and listings totalling over \$400,000.

Mrs. Savioli has been an Avon representative for six years and a member of the prestigious President's Club for five years. Last year, she ranked 10 out of 275 representatives.

In addition, she is the mother of Lisa and Michael Savioli, on the Christmas Workshop Committee at the Granger School PTO, and a member of Fitness First Health Club.

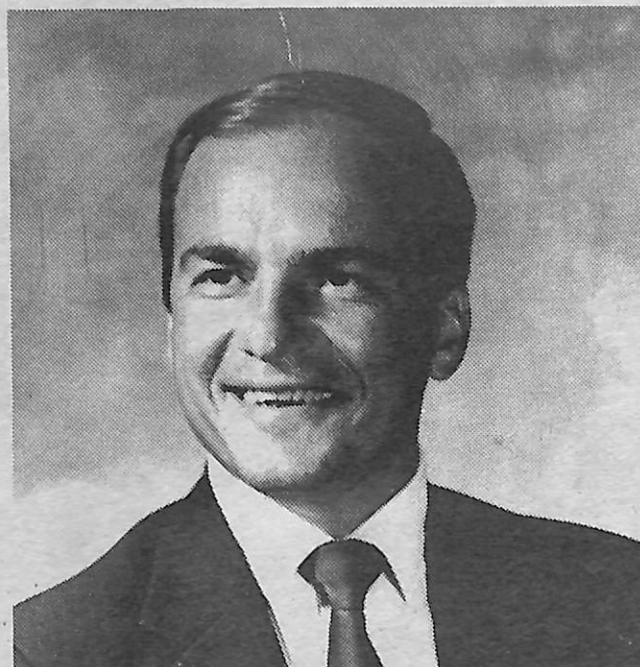
Mrs. Savioli says she is able to do all of these things with the help and support of her family.

Her goal as a realtor is "Happy and satisfied clients."

### Peterjon's Desserts...



**PETERJON'S GOURMET ICE CREAM** in the New Community Shops, Feeding Hills Center, now has custom-made, gourmet-style desserts for those with exquisite sweet teeth. Here, employees Carolyn Jochim and Chris Podgorski display chocolate chip cookies, ice cream sundae, carrot cake, and rich cream cake. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**GARY L. BRIGGS**, vice-president of Park WestBank and Trust Company.

### Gary L. Briggs Finishes School Of Banking

Gary L. Briggs, vice president of Park West Bank and Trust Company, West Springfield, has graduated from the American Bankers Association Stonier Graduate School of Banking.

The Stonier Graduate School this year celebrates its 50th commencement anniversary and its first year at the University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware. Briggs is one of more than 300 bankers from around the nation who are 1986 graduates of the three-year program.

The Stonier curriculum, designed for mid-level to senior-level bank officers, provides the knowledge base, analytical techniques, and management concepts needed for effective bank management.

Requirements for graduation include attending three, two-week resident sessions, completing 10 extension problems, and submitting a formal thesis or three applied research/writing projects related to performance areas of banking.

Briggs defended his thesis, titled "Developing Asset/Liability Management in a Community Bank," before a panel of experts as a qualification for graduation.

Briggs joined Westbank in 1979 and was elected assistant treasurer in that year. In 1980, he was named assistant vice president, and in 1983 assumed his present position of vice president.

Briggs is a native of Johnson City, New York, and a graduate of Hartwick College. He and his wife, Anne, have two children, Karen and Daniel, and reside in Feeding Hills.

### ...Are Just Heavenly



**RICH CUPCAKES, DOUBLE CHOCOLATE ECLAIRS** (with real custard filling), and Double Chocolate Diablo cake bring a big smile from Peterjon's employee Tracy Cimaroli. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.





**THE MILLER FAMILY GREETES GERMAN VISITORS:** Back row, from left - Karl (Miller), Rene Michel, and Charles (Miller). Front - Heike Michel, Nicole Michel, and Corinne (Miller). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Miller Family Entertaining 3 German Students For Summer From Former Home In Heidelberg

by Jolece Orsucci  
Advertiser News Feature Writer

A three-year stay in Germany allowed the Miller family of Poinsettia Street, Agawam, the chance to fall in love with the country, its customs and traditions, and its people. Deep friendships developed, and, as a result, the Millers invited three German youths to spend part of this summer with them in the United States.

Charles Miller, a civil engineer for the Army Corps of Engineering, was transferred to Germany in 1981. Miller and his wife, Dale, are not of German descent but moved there with their two children knowing no German, but learned quickly. Karl, 15, and their daughter, Corinne, 13, attended German schools where they met the three teens staying with them.

Rene Michel (16), and sisters Nicole (12) and Heike (16) Sauer live 15 miles south of Heidelberg in a small town called Delheim, the same town the Millers lived in until 1984. The German travelers arrived here July 10th, and will be staying with the Millers until August 22nd.

The Millers have had several friends from Germany come and stay with them. Mrs. Miller notes, "We try to keep in touch with our German family." Nicole has

been to America once before (last November), visiting the Millers for two weeks with her neighbors back in Germany, who are also friends with the Millers.

The three German youths all like America, and agree that they would return again. All three speak good English, a required course in German schools. And while Rene claims that he doesn't miss his family (yet), Nicole admits that she misses her animals and Heike sometimes misses her family and friends.

Since their arrival, the Millers have taken the Germans tubing on the Farmington River in Connecticut, to the beaches in Rhode Island, to see a horse show, to the Waterslide at Ocean Beach Park, New London, Connecticut, and to the Granville Gorge.

Karl, Rene, and local friend Stephen Simmons took an extended bike ride from Agawam to Providence, Rhode Island. From there, the boys rode to Warwick, then Kingston. They traveled a total of 160 miles. The round-trip took them one week, excluding three days spent in Providence with Steven's relatives.

Karl and Rene are planning a canoe trip to Alagash, Maine, while Corinne, Nicole, and friend Amy Hauser are to go camping in Arcadia, Maine, for two weeks

with Amy's parents.

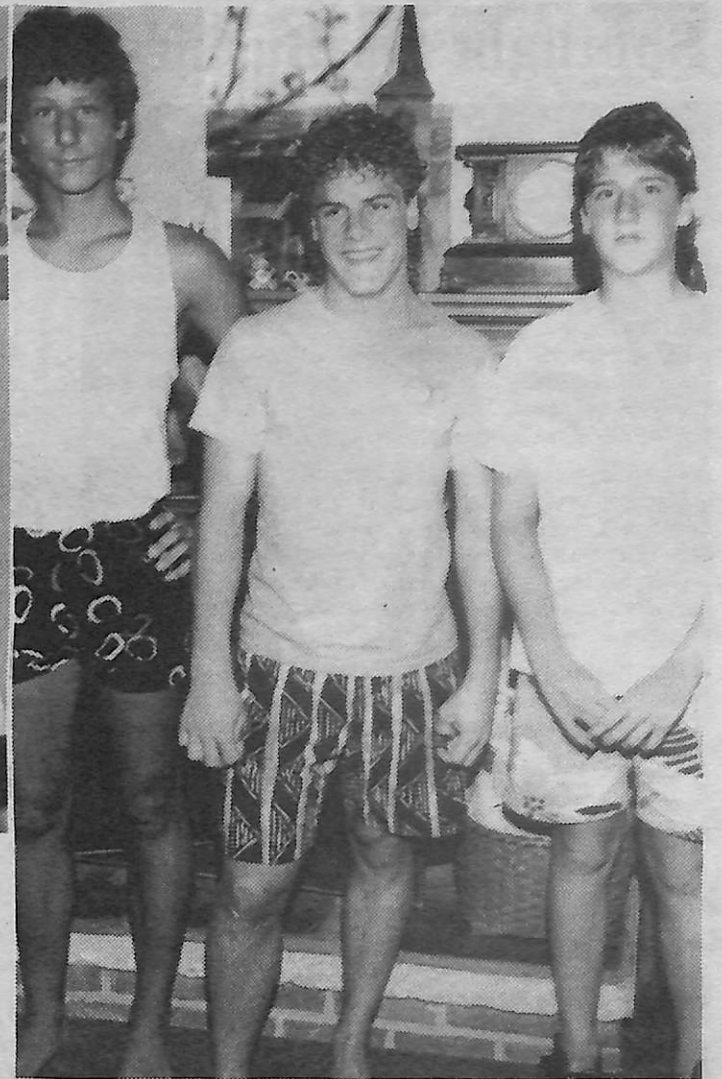
As for the rest of the family, Charles, Dale, Heike, and new friend Piccoli will stay at Cape Cod for an extended weekend.

Upon their return, the Millers will be preparing for the arrival of American Field Service (AFS) exchange student Anders Frense. Anders, a 16 year-old boy from Sweden, is arriving August 8th, and will be staying with the Millers throughout the coming school year, leaving in June 1987.

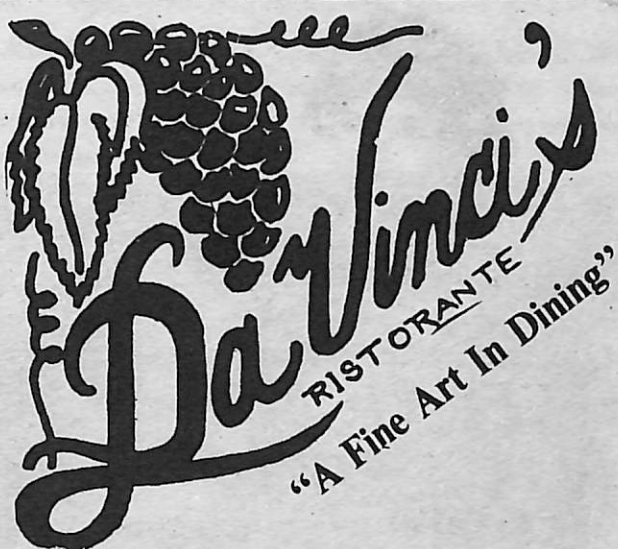
### American Malls A Favorite

Heike explains that she partakes in gymnastics, handball, acrylic painting, and knitting in her homeland. She also enjoys shopping and going to parties with friends. Her favorite things about America are the malls "because they're so big," the fact that kids can drive at age 16 (in Germany they can't drive until age 18), the trees and countryness of Agawam, and "the way the groceryman bags the groceries," something not done in Germany. She especially likes her new friends she's found in America.

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**JUST BACK FROM A BIKE TRIP** are Germans Rene Michel, Karl Miller, and Steven Simmons.



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## Mass. Morgan Horse Show To Begin August 13th

The 16th Annual Massachusetts Morgan Horse Show, attracting exhibitors and horses from throughout the northeast region, will be opening in West Springfield, Massachusetts.

The four-day event is scheduled August 13th to 16th, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., daily, in the Eastern States Exposition Coliseum, and will feature more than 130 classes.

Sponsored by the Massachusetts Morgan Horse Association, the show will include in-hand, park saddle, park harness, English pleasure, pleasure driving, equitation, dressage, and carriage driving events.

Morning, afternoon, and evening sessions will be held each day for a variety of competitions, ranging from the Lead Line Class, where riders must be six years-old or under, to the Executive Gentlemen Class, in which riders are required to wear business suits.

In addition, a gelding sweepstakes has been added this year for which a total of \$7,000 will be distributed.

Now the official Massachusetts State Horse, the Morgan originated in West Springfield, where Justin Morgan developed the breed for its power and speed in the late 1700's.

The show is open to the public and admission is free. For more information, contact Show Secretary Patricia Gosselin, (413) 967-3167.

## Bay Path Alumni Association Sponsors Tanglewood Trip

The Bay Path Junior College Alumni Association will sponsor an evening at Tanglewood on Tuesday, August 26th. Alumni and guests are invited to attend the event, which includes a 7:00 p.m., informal social in front of the Chamber Music Hall on Tanglewood's grounds in Lenox, and the 9:00 p.m. concert, "Tanglewood on Parade," featuring both the Boston Symphony Orchestra and the Tanglewood Music Center Orchestra. Considered the highlight of the season at the Symphony's summer home, the concert will include Tchaikovsky's "1812 Overture," and directors will be John Williams and Seiji Ozawa.

Tickets include the alumni social, reserved concert seating in the Shed, and admission to the Tanglewood grounds any time after 2:00 p.m. Participants are encouraged to arrive early and bring a picnic supper. Reservations are limited and more information may be obtained by calling Bay Path's Alumni Office.

## GERMANS - From Page 16...

Nicole also partakes in gymnastics, as well as riding and tending her many animals. Nicole likes American food, including chips, gum, white bread and Domino Pizza, and pajama parties. Liking most things about the USA, she says she wants to be an American.

Rene is also involved in gymnastics, as well as tennis, woodcarving, and programming his computer. The focal point of his stay, he says, has been the bike trip to Rhode Island with Stephen and Karl.

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Residents of Agawam for eight years, the Millers enjoyed their stay in Germany very much and would like to return for three years when their two children graduate from Agawam High. Mrs. Miller added that she would like Agawam's School System to offer a German language course so the children would have the opportunity to learn it.

The Millers admit that they will miss their German children upon their departure. Since their arrival, the Millers have sported the German flag in front of their house. Mrs. Miller states, "I guess it is a symbol of the love that we have for Germany and its people."

## News, Activities From Heritage Hall

### COMMUNITY

#### Devotions Of Christian Love

Heritage Hall would like to express a special "thank you" to a number of area parishes. The clergy, sisters, and many of the members of these parishes faithfully visit residents weekly so that they may continue to receive the devotions of their religion. This means a great deal to them as they are now unable to attend Mass by themselves.

Several of the participating parishes are: **Saint Anthony, Saint Theresa, Saint John's, Saint John's Guild, and Saint John's Catholic Women's Club.**

### HEALTH

#### Nature's Bounty

Residents of Heritage Hall are enjoying the benefits of their green thumbs, as they are harvesting cucumbers, radishes, scallions, tomatoes, squash, and lettuce from their garden. Residents faithfully give their garden tender loving care. They have named the garden club in memory of John Russo.

Before John became a resident of Heritage Hall, he was employed at Forest Park Zoo in Springfield. Lena DiPinto, a resident of Heritage Hall, donated the beautiful rose bush that tempts everyone's senses with its fragrant scent and bright colors.

### EDUCATIONAL

#### Animal Kingdom

Thursday, July 31st, residents participated in an informative program on the different aspects of the animal kingdom. Title of the film strip was *Endangered Species, the Road to Extinction*.

The film helped residents understand the reasons why a variety of the animals are becoming extinct. They discovered animals of today also have a chance of becoming extinct, if they are not protected. The jaguar and bald eagle are presently on the list.

At the end of the film strip, a discussion about the situation was held. Many of the residents stated they were not aware of the problem, and they could not believe it was as bad as it seemed. They felt that perhaps by educating the public a solution could be found and the problem alleviated.

Residents found the film very enjoyable and informative. They hope that someday the world of wildlife will be better understood and appreciated.

### HELPING HANDS

#### Time Is Precious

Christina Colageovini spends most of her time at Heritage Hall. When she is not working as a nurse's aide, she is volunteering. Residents enjoy being with her, as she is a warm friendly person with a bubbly personality.

She donates her time in many different ways. Her favorite is working in the garden. Christina participates in the various shopping trips, exercise programs, and mini-learning courses.

Christina is the granddaughter of resident Filomia Ceruco. She is also a contestant in the Miss Teenage Contest.

Heritage Hall would like to express a warm "thank you" and good luck on your venture, Christina.

#### I Remember by Florence Way

*"My grandmother's house was situated on 130 Bliss Street in Springfield. This street ran from Main Street down to the Connecticut River. The houses were well-built in those days.*

*My grandparents came to America from Italy in 1888.*

*The house in Springfield was their first home in America. It was a seven-room house. When we went to visit grandma, we had to cross the railroad tracks. Grandma would watch for us children coming down the street, and she would meet us at the railroad crossing.*

*Although the house was well-built, it had no heating system other than the kitchen range, and a parlor stove in the living room.*

*Their land went down about 100 feet, and was bordered by the Connecticut River. I remember when the spring floods came, my grandmother's garden would be under about five feet of water. Gramps didn't mind. He said it was good fertilizer for the garden."*



**RESIDENT OF THE WEEK - Mary Giedrich.**

### Resident Of The Week Mary Giedrich

Mary Giedrich was born and raised in Chicopee. She quit school before graduating and obtained a position with Buxton to help support the family. She married the late Frank Giedrich in 1926, and moved to Baltimore, Maryland. In later years, Frank's company transferred him to Agawam. The couple enjoyed many happy years of marriage together. Mary has one daughter, who still resides in Maryland. She also has three grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Mary leads an active life at Heritage Hall. She enjoys sewing, educational courses, cards, and bingo. She is a very friendly person and greets everyone with a smile and warm hello.

Heritage Hall is happy to have Mary as part of their family.

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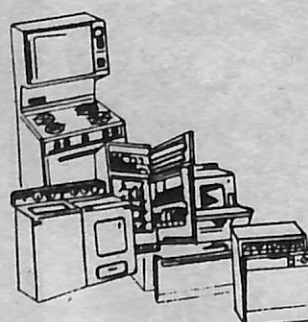
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**SEATED UNDER THE CHRISTMAS TREE** at the home of Marie & Phil Vecchiarelli are Joanne Leger, Amber Ericksberg, Jodi (Ferraro) Vecchiarelli, and Michelle Larocque. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**ENJOYING CHRISTMAS IN JULY** at the home of Marie & Phil Vecchiarelli on Kellogg Avenue recently are Teresa Ericksberg, Betty Leger, and Mrs. Vecchiarelli. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## MORE FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

by Vi Massoia

### Daniel MacPhail Receives Doctorate

DR. DANIEL D. MACPHAIL, a January 1986 Magna Cum Laude graduate from Boston University, and exchange student from Harvard University, completed his doctoral degree in psychology.

Dr. MacPhail graduated from Agawam High School in 1967, received his b.a. from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst in 1971, and his master's degree from Springfield College in 1973.

Dr. MacPhail developed a career in correctional psychology starting with delinquents in a group home, juveniles on probation, child welfare families, and leading to eight-and-a-half years of prison experience in a state penitentiary, where he did extensive research and clinical practice.

He is now one of two psychologists in the entire state system to assume the highly-responsible and critical position as director of a court clinic, traditionally the exclusive province of psychiatrists.

In his role as court clinic director at Waltham District Court, Dr. MacPhail provides supervision to staff, consultation to judges and probation officers, extensive training in the mental health system on forensic psychology, and evaluates defendants for competency to stand trial and criminal responsibility.

Outside of his full-time position, he consults for the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission at MCI-Concord and a private psychiatric clinic.

Currently, Dr. MacPhail is publishing the results of his research efforts in the prison system, and developing greater skill as an organizational consultant in

both the public and private sectors. He also finds an enjoyable distraction through his real estate investments.

Dr. MacPhail's proud parents still reside in town on 100 Kensington Street, Feeding Hills.

On July 23rd, JESSICA GIORDANO of Robin Lane, Feeding Hills, celebrated her 15th birthday. She is a sophomore at Agawam High and a member of the colorguard and the choral.

These happy birthday wishes are being sent to Jessica from her Mom, Dad, and sisters, JOANNA and JAMIE.

A "Hole-In-One" is something most golfers dream of but very seldom accomplish.

Our congratulations to PHIL SERRA of Anthony Street, Agawam, who did make his dream come true when he used a seven iron on the third hole at St. Anne's Country Club to make a 155-yard hole-in-one.

This event happened Sunday, July 20th, when Phil was in the Glenwood Cafe (Springfield) Tournament.

Family and friends are enjoying the company of former Agawam resident ALISON JEAN (FULLER) FLEURY of Knoxville, Tennessee. She visited her mom, JESSIE FULLER, for a few weeks. Alison formerly resided on JoAnn Circle, Feeding Hills, before moving to Palm Bay, Florida, and then to Knoxville, where she resides with husband, LES. Have a great vacation Alison.

Happy birthday wishes to NANCY O'KEEFE of Suffield Street, Agawam. Her special day was Saturday, August 2nd. These wishes are being sent to Nancy from the Massoia family.

Celebrating her birthday on August 6th was Nancy's sister, BETSY O'KEEFE, also of Suffield Street, Agawam. The Massoia family would also like to send happy birthday wishes to Betsy.

The O'Keefe girls are the daughters of JIM & CATHY O'KEEFE.

A pool party to help MARYANN CIMMA of Cooper Street, Agawam, celebrate her 11th birthday was held at the home of her grandparents, MARY & ELSO of Westford Circle, Agawam.

Although her special day was July 15th, the party was held July 19th. She is a fifth grade student at Phelps School, is a girl scout, and played softball in the Sacred Heart AA girls' softball league. One of Maryann's special little guests was her five year-old sister, TERRI LYNN.

A gathering of the clan...the LaBelle clan, that is. The event was held at the home of PHIL & MARIE VECCHIARELLI of Kellogg Avenue, Feeding Hills. The occasion was "Christmas in July." Marie's nephew, KEN ERICKSBERG, a member of the U.S. Air Force, was leaving for South Carolina, and her niece, (Ken's sister), TERI (ERICKSBERG) HOUGHTON came from North Carolina.

This was the first time in a year-and-a-half that they had seen each other. The yard was decked out with all the yuletide trimmings. A giant grab bag was the hit of the occasion.

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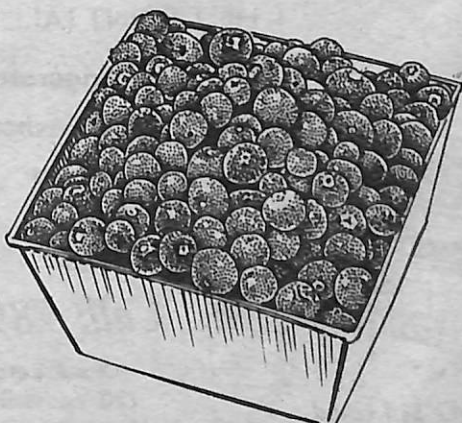
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# News, Activities At Agawam Senior Center

**Wednesday, September 10th.** A second bus is now available to accommodate Agawam seniors for the September 10th, "Statue of Liberty" trip. Reservations are now available at the ticket booth. This popular trip includes, besides the ferry to the "Lady," a guided tour of New York City (Rockefeller Center, Lincoln Center, Central Park, Wall Street, and Lower Manhattan), and also a visit at South Street Seaport for shopping and lunch. (Lunch is on your own). On the trip home, a dinner stop will be made (also on your own).

Bus pick-up at Country View is 6:45 a.m., and 7:00 a.m. at the Senior Center. Approximate return home is 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. Price is \$28.50 per person, which includes everything but lunch and dinner. Please make your reservations by August 8th.

## Bazaar Date, November 14th & 15th

Already at work, under the supervision of Activities Director Sandra Smith, are the Ways and Means Committee of "Friends" of the Senior Center. The Bazaar will open Friday evening, November 14th, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., and Saturday, November 15th, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Ceramic and knitting class members are working this summer making items for this event. Be sure to mark your calendars for "Bazaar Weekend," starting Friday evening, November 14th, at the Senior Center. Watch this column for more information.

## BIG E - September 16th

Ames Department Store is again sponsoring a Senior Citizen trip to the Big E, Tuesday, September 16th. Bus pick-up at the Senior Center **only** will be at 8:45 a.m. Ames will sponsor coffee and Danish at the store, and then the bus will leave for the BIG E. To eliminate "no-shows", a \$5 per person security deposit is due with each reservation. This will be returned to you after you board the bus September 16th. Reservations close September 1st. Make them now at the ticket booth.

## "It's Your Choice"

Two copies of the AARP booklet about funeral planning, mentioned at the recent Senior Center 12:30 Program, are now available for loan from the Senior Center. If you would like to study it, just stop at the director's office and borrow a copy. Besides being a practical guide to planning a funeral, it contains a list of memorial societies in the U.S. and Canada. Pre-planning one's funeral may not be high on one's priority list, but it can be extremely helpful for your family.

## Pre-Governor's Cup Walk

To all "MAWAGA WALKERS" of Agawam: Don't miss the Pre-Governor's Cup Walk and Picnic, August 12th, at the Chicopee Senior Center. This event is for registered walkers but reservations are needed. Call or see Sandra Smith at the Senior

Center, 786-0400, extension 242. Transportation to Chicopee is on your own. Walkers will meet at the Chicopee Senior Center at 11:45 a.m., and the walk will begin at noon. The picnic lunch will follow. This is a "rain or shine" event so dress accordingly.

## Safe Food To Go

There is a booklet available, free of charge, called "Safe Food To Go," which contains important advice about food to be served away from home. Write or call Diana Muller, Cooperative Extension Service, 1499 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, 01089, phone 736-7204, for your copy.

## News About Tax Abatements

There is a new state law which allows local communities to increase the income levels for tax abatement for homeowners who are 70 years of age on July 1st of the tax year.

The income eligibility levels have been increased to \$10,000 for a single person and \$12,000 for a married couple. This may allow more elderly homeowners to qualify for a tax abatement. In order to have this apply, it must first be passed by the Agawam Town Council.

**12:30 Program Tuesday, August 19th** at the Senior Center will be another AARP-sponsored slide and sound presentation concerning "Independent Living." Don't miss this latest of these very worthwhile programs.

# Ag. Public Library To Feature Superb Films

The Agawam Public Library will be featuring a series of Academy Award-winning motion pictures through the month of August.

The following is a list of the films to be shown, the dates, and some information on the individual films.

## August 12th: Rebecca (1940)

Film begins 6:30 p.m.

Director Alfred Hitchcock's adaptation of Daphne du Maurier's novel about a naive woman who marries a brooding British nobleman, finding herself living in the shadow of Rebecca, his beautiful first wife.

Stars Laurence Olivier, Joan Fontaine, George Sanders, and Judith Anderson. The film received awards for Best Picture and Cinematography (George Barnes).

## August 19th: Hud (1963)

Film begins 6:30 p.m.

Paul Newman portrays the irresponsible son of a hard-working Texas rancher. This powerful film takes a hard look at interpersonal family relationships, and the deterioration of moral values.

Patricia Neal and Melvyn Douglas co-star. Awards gained include Best Actress (Neal), Best Supporting Actor (Douglas), and Cinematography (James Wong Howe).

## August 26th: Africa Queen (1951)

Film begins 6:30 p.m.

Katherine Hepburn as a prim missionary and Humphrey Bogart as a booze-soaked boat skipper who together find romance and danger on Africa's Congo River during World War I. Bogart was named Best Actor.

## FRIENDS/NEIGHBORS - From P. 18

**A great time was had by all and they look forward to next year's "Christmas In July." Better than 40 people were on hand for this celebration.**

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Results of the Dr. Steve Sartori Basketball Camp at Westfield High School last month saw resident CHARLES HOFFMAN named as one of the camp's Most Valuable Players.

Charles was also named as one of the camp's Most Improved Players during the five-day session as well, along with Agawam resident DAN LaBRECK.

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**Happy Sweet 16th birthday wishes are being sent to BECKY CLARKE of Carmel Lane, Feeding Hills. These wishes are being sent to this 11th grade student from her UNCLE ROY and AUNT JEANNIE, and cousins JOANNA, JESSICA, and JAMIE.**

**Her special day was August 2nd. She is a member of the color guard and played softball this summer in the Sacred Heart Athletic Association softball program.**

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Mr. Marquis, a 30 year resident of Agawam, is a graduate of Northeastern University in Boston and has an extensive insurance related background including that of Insurance Inspector, Fire Loss Control, Property Underwriter, and various supervisory and management positions. He is a former manager of the Connecticut Insurance Placement Facility (Connecticut Fair Plan) and a past manager of the Insurance Services Office of Connecticut (I.S.O.), the foremost insurance rating, actuarial, and statistical organization of the Property and Casualty industry. In 1982, he attained the professional insurance designation of CPCU (Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriter); which is held by fewer than 20,000 insurance professionals nationally.

Mr. Marquis is a licensed Broker and will offer all types of property and casualty insurance for residential and commercial properties including extensive protection for the floral, growing and nursery industry, through the Butler - Florists & Growers Insurance Agency of New England. In addition, he will operate Western Insurance Services at the same address which prepares property inspection reports and commercial fire rating analyses for insurance companies, agencies and brokers.

In addition to daytime weekly hours, the business office will be open Wednesday and Thursday evenings 6:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. and from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon on Saturdays.



## The Big E's Roots Began In 1916

A glimpse at the fading heritage of New England agriculture is what the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield means to many people who enjoy the annual fair.

The roots of the Eastern States Exposition trace back to agriculture. In 1916, The Big E, at that time known as the "Eastern States Agricultural and Industrial Exposition," opened its gates for the first time. The fair that year represented a chance for New Englanders to congregate in one place and view the finest livestock and machinery of the era, hearing new ideas about farming. The main attraction that year was not "Funland" or a high caliber performer, but the National Dairy Show!

And, as the 1917 program stated, "There will be just enough and not too much entertainment to provide a properly balanced ration with the more serious educational features."

Over the years, the Eastern States Exposition, The Big E's official name as of 1923, has changed and expanded its featured agricultural events to suit the demands of each era fairgoers. In 1922, the first of several annual championship dog shows and prize cat shows were presented. The New England Grange Building was dedicated to the Eastern States Exposition September 21st, 1938, a day also known as "hurricane day."

The 1938 Big E is a story in itself. The Exposition had opened on Sunday, September 18th, in a downpour of rain. Despite impossible operating conditions, the show had gone forward. By the time the storm reached full force on Wednesday afternoon, all services were paralyzed. Wires were down, canvas was flattened, the grandstand was unroofed, and the concession and outdoor machinery areas were in ruins. All animals, visitors, and exhibitors were evacuated to nearby Agawam.

Fortunately, the Eastern States Exposition survived that disastrous day in New England history. In 1963, Mallory Arena was opened to the public. The arena is used extensively for the housing and exhibiting of several breeds of livestock during the Big E and at featured events throughout the year. Another important addition to the growing number of agricultural exhibits are the Christmas tree and wreath show, first presented in 1966.

For 65 years, the Eastern States Exposition has provided a showcase to visually present the development of the agricultural resources of the Northeast. Although the events may have changed over the years, the purpose of presenting them is still the same, to offer a valuable education about agriculture.

The events also offer a glimpse into the history of "New England's Great State Fair." This year, the Big E will run September 10th to 21st and expects to attract over one million visitors.

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## Tempting Summertime Recipes From Big Y

### Wilt Resistant Whipped Cream

1 cup whipping cream or heavy cream  
½ teaspoon unflavored gelatin  
sugar to taste (1-2 Tbs.)

Soften gelatin in 2 teaspoons water in small pan. Add ¼ cup of cream and warm until gelatin is dissolved. (It doesn't have to get hot). Cool slightly at room temperature and add to the remaining ¾ cup cream. Refrigerate in small, deep bowl. Chill beaters. When mixture is cold, whip the cream, adding a little sugar to taste toward the end of beating. This whipped cream freezes well and will keep several days without wilting.

**NOTE:** Whipped cream (without gelatin) which has wilted (separated) can be whipped again in a jiffy to restore freshness.

### "TACOS IN A BOWL"

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1 can (8 oz.) tomato sauce  
1 teaspoon chili powder  
¾ teaspoon salt  
½ teaspoon garlic powder

Brown beef in medium skillet, stirring until crumbly. Drain off excess fat. Stir in remaining ingredients. Simmer, covered, for 10 minutes. (Makes filling for 10 taco shells or to serve 4-6).

Make taco meat filling. Keep warm. Chop fresh tomatoes. Allow 1 medium tomato per serving. Put in bowls: chopped tomatoes, shredded lettuce, shredded cheese.

Let everyone serve himself or herself, putting ½ cup or more Fritos Chips into bowl or on plate. Top with meat filling, shredded lettuce, chopped tomato and shredded cheese.

### Pasta A La Carbonara

This is a quick, easy and economical way to serve pasta. It is a satisfying main dish and is, of course, DELICIOUS!

Serves 3 to 4 hungry persons.

1. Cook 12 oz. spaghetti in salted water al dente. Meanwhile,
2. Lightly fry bacon strips (2 per person) till crisp. Drain and crumble. (Vegetarians may use imitation Bacon Chips.)
3. Pour about 3 oz. (¾ stick) melted butter or margarine over cooked and drained pasta.
4. Beat three egg yolks and pour over the hot buttered pasta. Stir.
5. Garnish top with bacon and grated Parmesan Cheese. Pass Parmesan Cheese at the table.

### Tomato-Zucchini Casserole

A Microwave/Conventional Recipe from Saran Wrap

Microwave cooking time: 9½ minutes

Conventional cooking time: 26 minutes

4-6 servings

3 Tablespoons butter or margarine, divided  
3 small zucchini (about 1 pound), sliced  
¾ cup fresh bread crumbs  
¼ cup grated parmesan cheese  
2 Tablespoons chopped parsley  
½ teaspoon oregano  
½ teaspoon salt  
dash freshly ground pepper  
2 medium-size tomatoes, sliced

**MICROWAVE:** Place 1½ Tablespoons butter in 8-inch round glass baking dish. Microcook at 100 percent power 1½ minutes. Tilt dish to spread butter evenly.

Layer half the zucchini slices in butter. Mix bread crumbs, parmesan cheese, parsley, oregano, salt, and pepper. Sprinkle ½ cup bread crumb mixture over zucchini. Top with tomato slices; add another layer of bread crumbs; layer remaining zucchini on top; sprinkle with bread crumbs; dot with butter. Cover tightly with Saran Wrap, turning back edge to vent. Microwave at 100 percent power 8 minutes, rotating dish once. Let stand 5 minutes.

**CONVENTIONAL:** Preheat oven to 350°. Melt butter in a small saucepan. Pour half the butter into 8-inch baking dish or casserole. Layer zucchini, tomatoes, and bread crumb mixture as directed in microwave method. Drizzle with remaining melted butter. Bake 20-25 minutes or until zucchini is fork-tender.

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### Deregulation Of Interest Rates

In April, the final phase of bank deregulation took place, the elimination of virtually all legally-mandated interest rate ceilings on bank deposits. Since April, banks have been free to raise rates on passbook savings accounts, which previously could not pay more than 5.5 percent interest.

The reason behind deregulation is simple. It was an attempt to give banks back some of the competitive edge they have lost. With the advent of high inflation in the 1970's, many people moved their money out of passbook savings and into investments (most notably money market mutual funds) paying higher rates of interest. It was the only way people could keep ahead with inflation — you lose money earning 5.5 percent when inflation is in the double digits.

But by all accounts, banks have not rushed to raise their interest rates. That's especially true on accounts where only a small amount of money is deposited. Investors have become more sophisticated over the years, so sophisticated that many who pulled their money out of savings accounts are not likely to jump right back in.

Investments that allow you to get your hands on your money quickly and easily are an important part of any financial plan. If an emergency comes up, you need to be able to have access to your money.

Savings accounts can satisfy that need, and so can other kinds of investments. Because of that, you should shop around before you invest. Look at all the factors. The interest rate level is one. Some types of investments pay higher rates than others, but may penalize you for withdrawing money before a certain amount of time has elapsed. Following is a list of investments that you might find appropriate for short-term investments.

**\*Bank savings accounts.** These accounts make it easy to get your money, but may not pay the highest rates of interest.

**\*Money market mutual funds.** Also easy to get your money (many give you drafts that work like checks),

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**\*Certificates of deposit.** Higher interest rates than bank savings accounts offer, but you may be penalized for withdrawing money early.

**\*Face-amount investment certificates.** Also higher interest rates than most bank savings accounts and CDs. There are a several different types of certificates, some designed for long-term savings and others for short-term savings. Penalties may apply (usually loss of some accrued interest), with some certificates in the case of early withdrawal.

Talk to your financial planner about which kinds of investments are best for your individual short-term needs. Your planner can explain the different types of investments and give you a good idea of all the pros and cons of each.

For a free 30 minute consultation or for a free packet of financial planning information call Charlie at business, 781-2250, or home, 789-0957, or write to Charlie at 25 Rugby Road, Feeding Hills, MA 01030.

## Sjobergs Host Meeting Of Mass. Vassar Order District 2

Mr. & Mrs. John Sjoberg of 92 Upper Beverly Hills, West Springfield, will host the complete executive board and officers of the Massachusetts District Lodge 2, Vasa Order of America, a Swedish-American fraternal and cultural organization, Sunday, August 10th, at their home for their final meeting in preparation for the District Convention September 19th to September 21st, at the Lowell Hilton Hotel, Lowell. The day long meeting is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Mrs. Sjoberg is the junior past district master, and a member of the local Brage-Iduna Lodge, No. 9.

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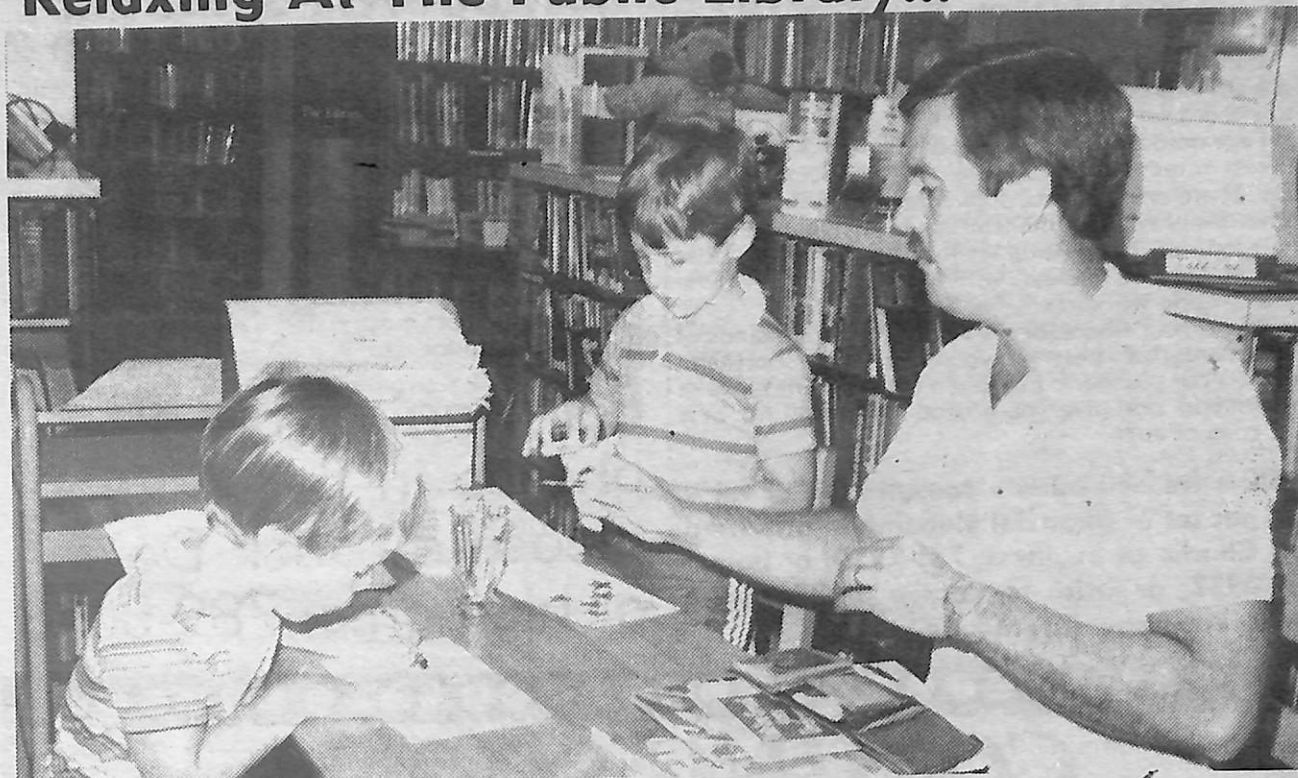
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## Relaxing At The Public Library...



**AGAWAM JUNIOR HIGH MATH TEACHER KEVIN LITTLEFIELD, a resident of Ed Holcomb Road, Southwick, enjoys an afternoon at the Southwick Public Library with his two sons, Christopher (left) and Matthew.** Advertiser News photo by R.T. McMullen.

## Agawam VFW Sponsors Poster-Essay Contest

"Getting to the Core" is the State President's theme this year, says Rita Shea, state youth activities and VOD Chairwoman for the Department of Massachusetts Ladies Auxiliary to Veterans of Foreign Wars. Mrs. Shea said that coloring contests are available for local children any ages, through the VFW.

The West Springfield and Agawam schools will be approached when they open in September to see if the schools will allow participation by interested students.

Any other groups of children can also participate. In West Springfield, more information can be obtained by calling Auxiliary 6714 President Shirley LaScala, 734-8991, and in Agawam, call Gladys Belcher, 789-2830, or Rita Shea, 732-0681, after 1:00 p.m.

The theme this year for the Annual Poster and Essay Contest sponsored by the Department of Massachusetts Ladies Auxiliary to VFW is "What the

Statue of Liberty Means To Me."

The poster contest is opened to grades one through three, and essays to grades four to six. There is a separate contest for grades seven to nine. The theme is the same for both.

Posters, not larger than 12"x 18", and essays, not to exceed 300 words, either typed or legibly written.

Please put your name, grade, and school (city or town) on back of poster or essay. Deadline to the Agawam VFW Auxiliary is October 21st, 1986.

If your school does not sponsor the program, you are still invited to participate.

There will be awards at the Auxiliary level, district level, and winners will be named in state judging.

"Many of the coloring slogans tie in with child safety, including "Don't Take Candy From a Stranger", "Know Your Local Policemen," etc., and this year, a special coloring contest for Statue of Liberty, our national President's theme," Mrs. Shea says.

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## Agawam VFW Slates Annual District Picnic

On Saturday, August 9th, the Agawam Veteran's of Foreign Wars Post 1632 (VFW) on South Street will host the Annual District 7 Picnic from 11:00 a.m. on, at the post pavilion. Proceeds from the picnic help with the post's hospital work and Voice of Democracy program.

Edward Puza, District 7 commander, and Laura Harrington of Agawam, District 7 president, have appointed chairpersons of this event Angela Sheldon, senior vice-president of District 7, and Ralph Sheldon, past commander of the Russell VFW Post 6645.

Barbara Mayberry and Bonnie Bishop will be in charge of the raffle, and Patricia Langelier and Shirley Lascala will be responsible for the bake sale.

Rita Shea, state Youth Activity/VOD chairwoman from West Springfield, and a member of the Agawam VFW, and Gladys Belcher, Youth Activity chairwoman for the Agawam VFW's Women's Auxiliary, will be in charge of kids' games.

Robert Guevin, senior vice-president of District 7, and past commander of the Agawam VFW, will be helping members of the Agawam VFW with the cooking for the annual picnic.

State Commander Ted Eaton and state President Patricia Harrington will both be invited guests.

The event will be held rain or shine. The donation is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children, 12 and under.

Many gifts have been donated for the children's games from the Agawam VFW, as well as the West Springfield, Russell, Chicopee, and Hampden posts.

For more information about the event, contact the Agawam VFW Post on South Street.

## D'Amours Big Y Helps Muscular Dystrophy

During the month of August, 22 Big Y Supermarkets in Western Massachusetts will be raising a "Mile of Quarters" to be donated to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Each of the participating stores will donate 240 feet of quarters (\$720), and the supermarket chain will donate a total of one mile of quarters (\$15,840).

Carnival kits are being sent out to children in Western Massachusetts containing information on how to hold a "Carnival Against Dystrophy."

The kits contain booklets describing events that the children may have at their carnivals; a badge for the carnival chairman; a sample press release; signs and a thank-you letter; and certificate for free french fries from McDonald's.

Prizes will be awarded as follows: For raising \$50-\$99.99, a stuffed animal; for raising \$100-\$199.99, an AM/FM headset radio; and for raising \$200 and over, a party for the carnival chairman and 14 friends at McDonald's.

For more information, contact the Muscular Dystrophy Association, 201 Westfield Street, West Springfield, 732-7464.

## Agawam Hi-Lighters Slate Square Dance For Stanley Park

The Agawam Hi-Lighters Square Dance Club will hold a dance Saturday, August 9th, at Stanley Park, Westfield, at 7:30 p.m. Russ Peterson will be the caller and Linn Case will cue the rounds.



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## Non-Painter Course Offered At Museum

Alice D. Smith, Early American decorative artist, will teach a two-week course, "Painting for the Non-Painter: Antique Primitive," beginning Tuesday, August 12th, from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m., at the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum.

This course is specifically designed for the non-painter, those who are paintbrush shy, or who can't remember when they last mixed a few colors.

Mrs. Smith will introduce primitive painting methods and their historical significance, as well as discuss the primitive paintings on exhibit in the museum.

Participants will reproduce a primitive painting of the City of Springfield's Seal, taken from the 1902 Golden Jubilee City Anniversary Banner in the museum's collection.

This two-week course is being offered as part of the mini-series featuring some of the nearly-forgotten Early American craft forms. Pre-registration is required. Please call the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum for more information and registration, 732-3080.

The historical museum is located on the Quadrangle, at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets

## Family Day Planned For Laughing Brook Sanctuary

A special Family Day will be held at Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center, Hampden, Sunday, August 10th, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Admission to the sanctuary is half-price and includes special programs.

At 1:00 p.m., a guided tour of the Animal Loop will take place, including an in-depth visit with a "special guest." Then, at 2:30 p.m., there will be a guided hike along the "World of Water" trail.

Visitors can enjoy a quiet walk along the four miles of trails, tour the restored Storyteller's House, picnic along the edge of Laughing Brook, or observe native New England animals in outdoor enclosures.

Laughing Brook staff members will be on hand to greet visitors and answer questions.

Admission for this Family Day is \$1.50 for adults, 75 cents for seniors citizens, and 75 cents for children under 16. Children under three are admitted free. For more information, call Laughing Brook, 566-8034.

Please remember that our deadline for next week's paper is Tuesday at noontime, for all news, display ads and classifieds.

## Summer Cabaret Back For Another Run In Suffield

Suffield: Due to popular demand, the Suffield Parks and Recreation Department will again be sponsoring the summer Cabaret Theatre, a musical ensemble comprised of high school and college students from Suffield.

This year's performance will be *Dirty Work At The Crossroads*, an 1890's musical melodrama, and will be directed by Ted Levine.

Performances are scheduled for August 7th to 10th, and August 14th to 16th, in Mapleton Hall, Mapleton Avenue, at 8:00 p.m., each evening, except August 10th, which is a matinee.

Tickets are \$5 each (\$4 for senior citizens and children) and are now on sale at the Parks and Recreation Department office.

Reservations can be made for the cabaret-style seating by calling 668-0237, and payment must be received in advance at the Suffield Parks and Recreation Office. Refreshments will also be available.

Those interested in backstage, crew, or to be a waiter or waitress may sign-up to work at the Parks and Recreation Department.

## Friends Of Suffield Slate "Suffield On The Green"

Suffield: The Friends of Suffield proudly announce a family event with a carnival atmosphere: "Suffield on the Green," located in the scenic center of Suffield.

There will be activities for the whole family; games, food booths, pony rides, bingo, book fair. This event will take place Saturday, September 6th, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and Sunday, September 7th, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., rain or shine.

Be sure to include the 16th Annual Craftsfair in your activities. It will be held at the same time as the carnival events at the Hathaway House Barn, Main Street, Suffield.

Some crafts to be featured include china painting,

woodcrafts, hand-painted clothing, quilting, creations using herbs and spices, and many more.

For further information please contact Nancy Horanzy, 668-4146; Diane Drew, 668-0636; Doreen Newell, 668-1330; or Mary Davis, 668-5729.



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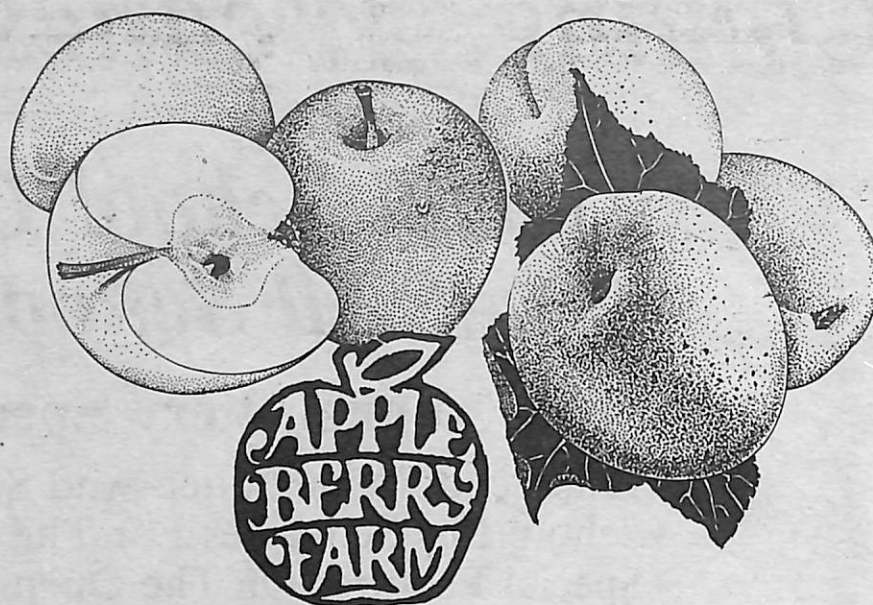
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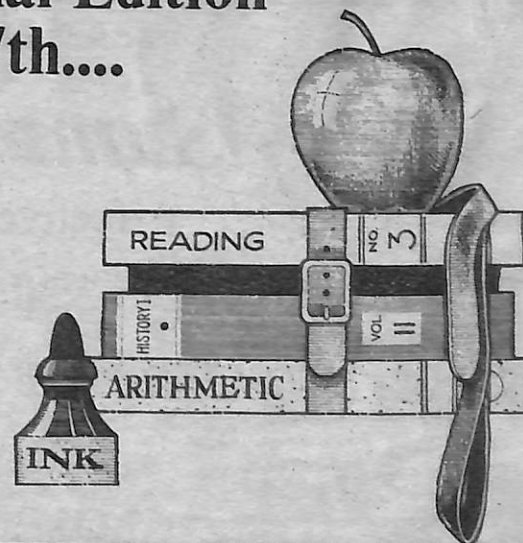
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Big E Gives Great Sampling Of 6 New England States

Big E fairgoers can capture a sampling of the many sights, flavors, and sounds of all six New England states right on the fairgrounds.

The place is The Big E's Avenue of States, and the best time to visit is anytime during the fair's 12-day run, September 10th to 21st in West Springfield.

Here, visitors can take a brief excursion through all six states via the many exhibits and displays depicting the industry, commerce, agriculture, and the natural resources each is known for.

On the Avenue are replicas of the original six state capitol buildings, each owned and maintained by its respective state. During The Big E, each is also packed with exhibits, products, and demonstrations representing the highlights of the state.

Upon entering the Vermont Building, a Georgian structure completed in 1929, fairgoers will be greeted by the tantalizing aroma of fresh-baked apple pie, and also the maple syrup for which the state is famous.

A country store setting provides a quaint rural village atmosphere, and fairgoers may purchase maple products, ice cream, milkshakes, and other dairy delights and, of course, some of that ever-popular hot apple pie. On September 14th, Vermont Day at the fair, other special attractions and events will also take place.

The New Hampshire Building, an imposing structure completed in 1930 using the state's own granite for its columns and trim, will feature a variety of state-produced products, including delicious edibles and handcrafted items.

Here, fairgoers may purchase some tasty treats such as juicy apples, country cider and "sugar on snow," or other New Hampshire products such as skiwear, wood articles, ceramics and calico — some for gifts and others for the home. Other special attractions will also be scheduled on New Hampshire Day, September 19th.

Fairgoers who visit the Maine Building will surely want to savor a delicious Maine baked potato with everything on it as they tour the Pine Tree State. A replica of Maine's original State House, the Maine Building was erected on the Avenue of States in 1925 for \$25,000.

Today, it offers fairgoers an opportunity to learn more about the state's many products and tourist attractions, as well as purchase leather, wool or camping items, and also agricultural products. Additional events will also be held on Maine Day, September 20th.

For an overview of the Bay State, fairgoers won't want to miss the Massachusetts Building where ex-

hibits highlight everything from bees to trees.

The replica of Massachusetts' Old State House was the first building on the Avenue. At fairtime, it features a wide variety of agricultural and horticultural exhibits, information on tourist attractions, and entertainment provided by performing groups from throughout the state.

The building was constructed for \$50,000 in 1919, just two years after the first Eastern States Exposition. Now, it houses something for just about everyone during each year's Big E, plus additional special attractions on Massachusetts Day, scheduled September 18th.

Touring the Nutmeg State is a special treat in the Connecticut Building, a modified replica of the Old State Capitol in Hartford. The building's cornerstone was placed by former Connecticut Governor Wilbur L. Cross during the 1938 Exposition.

The \$85,000 structure with the famous Bullfinch front weathered the great hurricane of that year, and was dedicated in September 1939. It was also recently refurbished and rededicated during the 1985 Big E in conjunction with Connecticut's 350th anniversary.

Special attractions planned in the building this year will include exhibits on Connecticut's popular tourist attractions, commercial products, and wide variety of the state's fine fruits and vegetables. In addition, a host of special activities are scheduled on Connecticut Day, September 17th.

The Rhode Island Building, replica of the Old State House which is now preserved as a shrine in Newport, is always full of special surprises that are sure to please fairgoers, no matter what their interests.

Dedicated in 1957, the building houses a variety of exhibits representing both the traditional and non-traditional as well as the old and new. Fairgoers may obtain information on vacationing in the Ocean State, learn more about its many products, and also indulge in a bit of the state's history. They may also see beautiful handcrafted items, learn new ways to serve seafood, and also see a variety of demonstrations.

Last but by no means least, they'll surely want to try some of Rhode Island's famous clam cakes that are sold at one of the more popular exhibits along the Avenue. Rhode Island natives and other fairgoers alike will also want to be on hand for all the special festivities on Rhode Island Day, September 16th.

The Avenue of States is only one of the many free attractions at The Big E, "New England's Great State Fair," which takes place each September in West Springfield.

"Katrina and the Waves" Invade Riverside Friday Night

Katrina and the Waves will be in the "spotlight" when they perform live, Friday, August 8th, at Riverside Park as part of the Budweiser Summer Concert Series.

It has been five years since Katrina and the Waves have come together to form the popular group. And during those five years, there have been two top 40 hits (including "Walking on Sunshine"), a Grammy for Best New Artist in 1985, a top 30 album all over the world, and rave reviews from every corner. Each member of the quartet comes from a different background, which could very well account for their diverse sounds and climbing success.

The concert by Katrina and the Waves will be held in the Riverside Park Speedway Stadium at 8:00 p.m., rain or shine. The price of admission to Riverside Park includes over 100 rides, shows, and attractions, as well as the free concert by Katrina and the Waves, August 8th.

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Craftmanship was the basis for making a living in colonial America. On Sunday, August 24th, from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 to 4:00 p.m., the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum summer Children's Hour will feature a slide presentation and stenciling demonstration illustrating one of these early craft forms.

The slide presentation will show some of the specialized craft skills that earned the daily bread for many early Americans. The stenciling demonstration will be keyed to the family audience and school-aged children.

Stenciling, a simple and inexpensive method of decorating, began in New England and became a respected occupation. Traveling stencil artists journeyed from town to town, remaining with a household until the work contracted was completed. Stenciling was an all-around house decoration; not only were walls and floors painted, but many chests, chairs, curtains, and wardrobes were stenciled.

These original stencils are often discovered during house renovations or furniture refinishing. Though the paint has faded, the designs shine through showing original Early American artwork. Stenciling is currently enjoying a revival and many of the old, original patterns are being painted once again.

Following the slide presentation and demonstration, a hands-on activity for school-aged children will introduce them to the basic steps in creating a stencil on paper. These hour-long family programs will be offered at 1:00 and 3:00 p.m., at the museum. Admission by donation. Please contact the museum for further information, 732-3080.

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum is supported in part by grants from the Springfield Arts Lottery, the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, and the Institute of Museum Services.

The historical museum is located on the Quadrangle, at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield, and is a member of the Springfield Library and Museums Association.

Mt. Holyoke Summer Theatre To Hold Wizard Of Oz Parade

The Children's Theatre of The Mount Holyoke College Summer Theatre will present The Oz Parade For Children, Saturday, August 16th, at 11:00 a.m. at the intersection of College Street (route 116) and Dunlap Street, across from the common, South Hadley.

Children are invited to march in the parade alongside Dorothy, the Lion, the Scarecrow, the Tin Man, and the Witch (in addition to clowns, dancers, jugglers, and musicians). Dress-up as your favorite Oz character (or all in green!) All interested in participating should arrive at 10:00 a.m. For more information, please call 538-2118.

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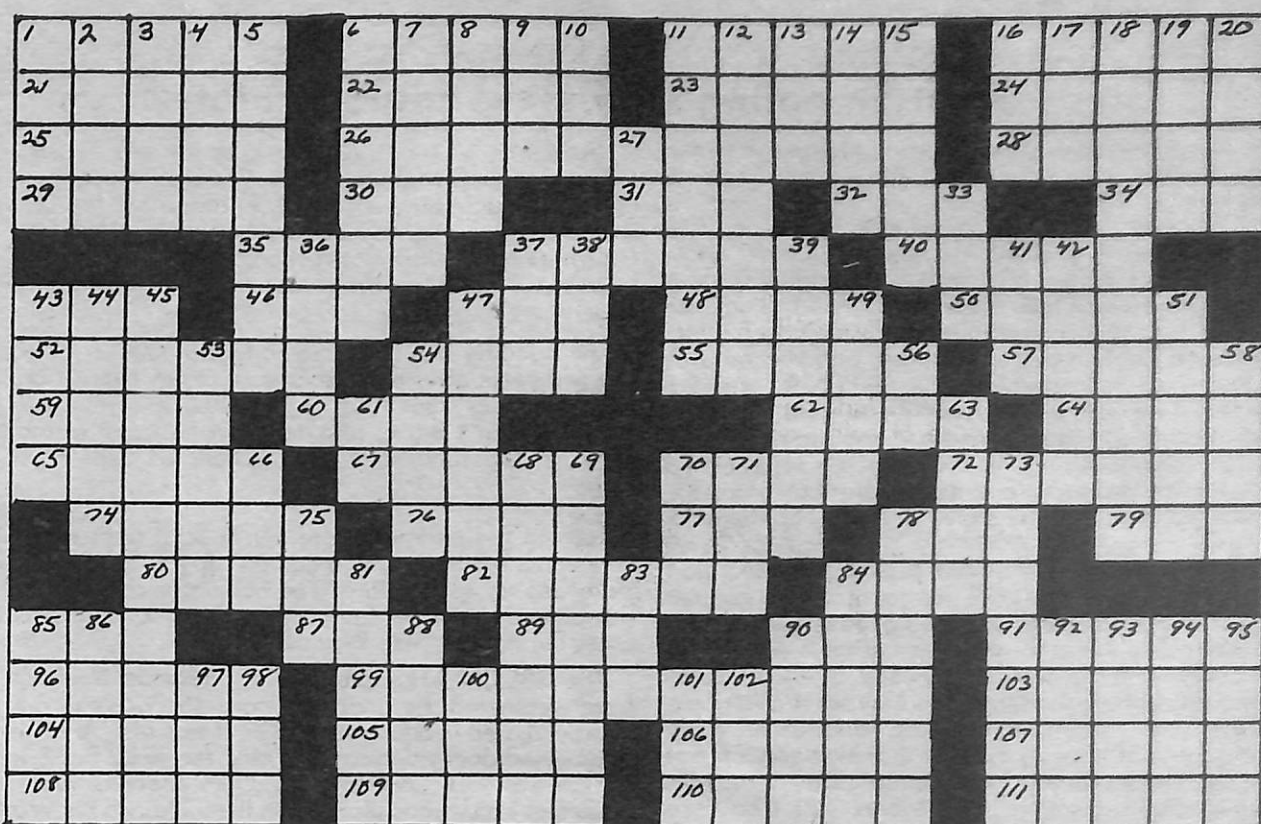
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6. Lock catches
11. Kind of paper
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24. Mountain ridge
25. Scene of action
26. Where Giants play
28. — Anita
29. French artist
30. Game piece
31. Shade tree
32. Pig pen
34. Cyst
35. Certain agents
37. Brews
40. Lion
43. Cudgel
46. "Have an — for...."
47. Musical notation
48. Grooves
50. Pillages
52. Leads
54. Mime
55. Generate
57. Savor
59. Suffix: agent
60. Alone
62. Rivers to Pedro
64. Indian of S.A.
65. Lilies
67. Political groups
70. Injure
72. Entralls
74. Receiver
76. Pertaining to notable times
77. Tax agency
78. Pasture sound
79. Chinese surname
80. Leases
82. Sharpshooter
84. Gorge
85. A Lincoln

87. — Tac-Toe
89. Tenn. power agency
90. Possessive
91. Wall parts
96. Kilns
99. Where Pirates roam
103. Martini additive
104. Richards of tennis
105. Diner
106. Not small but —
107. Old — tales
108. Mr. Bean
109. British carbines
110. Medicinal herb
111. Comes close

## DOWN

1. Shut firmly
2. Pianist Peter
3. S.A. Indian
4. Song
5. Splash
6. Sledge
7. " — — old man"
8. Cross over
9. Prefix: foot
10. Broadway sign
11. Vender's
12. Become tense
13. Presidential nickname
14. Totals
15. Nuisances
16. En tout —
17. Macaw
18. Where the "splinter" played
19. Major following
20. John by another name
27. " — Willie Winkle"
33. Dog sound
36. Church service
37. Female Saint
38. Gob
39. Brett and Brenda
41. Frau
42. " — — hasty retreat"
43. Kiss
44. Fall bloomer

## MEET THE MASTER - by Dick Mastroianni



## "Heritage Day" Planned By Historical Society

The Ramapogue Historical Society will sponsor a Heritage Day, Saturday, August 16th, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Josiah Day House, Park Street (across from the Common) in West Springfield.

Douglas Bilodeau and his staff (competent antique experts) will give verbal appraisals. The charge is \$3 for the first item and \$2 for each additional item. All proceeds will benefit the maintenance fund of West Springfield's 1754 brick saltbox house, a national historic site.

Antique appraisals are recommended for insurance purposes, borrowing money, or for your own personal satisfaction to know what your antiques are worth, says William Girotti, president of the society.

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## Craft Adventure '86 Slated To Open August 22nd At Big E

Entries will now be accepted for Craft Adventure '86, an annual contest and showcase of some of the region's finest crafts in the fabric-fiber medium.

The three-day event is scheduled August 22nd to 24th in the New England Center on The Big E fairgrounds, West Springfield, and is sponsored by the Eastern States Exposition's Creative Crafts Department.

The competition includes a wide variety of classes for rugs, quilts, weaving, embroidery, crocheted items, knitting, and lace.

Judging takes place prior to the event and winning entries will be exhibited from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., daily. Admission is \$2.

All entries must be recently completed works that were handmade by the entrant. Judging is based on quality of workmanship, use of color, and choice of materials to enhance the design, plus originality and creativity. Separate divisions are also included for instructors, non-instructors, and juniors, 18 and under.

Cash, ribbons, and special prizes will be awarded, and names of door prize winners will be drawn August 24th. Winning entries will also be exhibited throughout The Big E, "New England's Great State Fair," September 10th to 21st.

More than 600 entries are expected in the competition. In addition, area dealers will be on hand to sell craft supplies, and demonstrations and workshops on various techniques will be held throughout the event.

To enter an item in competition, write to Helen Bardwell, Creative Crafts Director at The Big E, 1305 Memorial Avenue, West Springfield, MA, 01089, for a Craft Adventure brochure and entry packet. Enclose a stamped, self-addressed legal size envelope.

## Exit Seven Youth Players To Present *The Mousetrap*

The Exit Seven Youth Players will present Agatha Christie's *The Mousetrap*, August 15th, 16th, 22nd, and 23rd, at 8:00 p.m., at the Chestnut Street Theatre, Ludlow.

The director for the production is Mark Allyn Sikes of Springfield. John Pierce, also of Springfield, will portray Christopher Wren.

Other cast members include Donna Grici and Kim Hertz of Wilbraham, as Mrs. Boyle and Mollie Ralston, respectively.

From Ludlow, Scott Dixon will portray Detective Sergeant Trotter; Rodney Martins will be Mr. Paravicini; Bill Bilodeau will play Giles Ralston; Richard Marceau, Major Metcalf; and Lora Giza, Miss Casewell.

## King House Museum To Hold 2nd Annual Art Fair

Suffield: The Second Annual King House Museum Art Show will be held Saturday, August 9th, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Sunday, August 10th, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (no rain date), on the south lawn of the Alexander King House, 232 South Main Street, Suffield. Admission is free to both the house and the show on both days.

Artists interested in renting a space for \$5 should contact John Bokeny, 668-2864, for further information and an entry form. All types of art (oil, water color, sculpture, acrylic and pastel) are welcomed.

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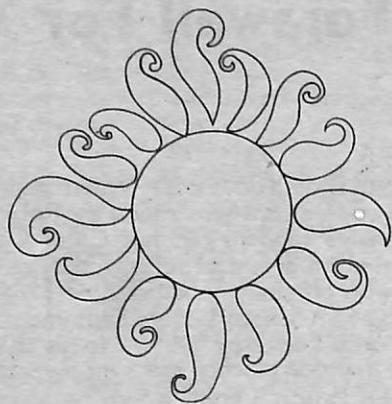
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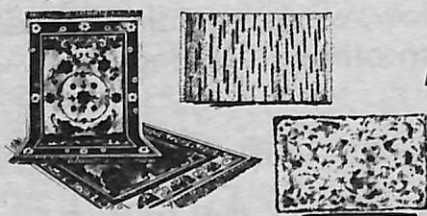
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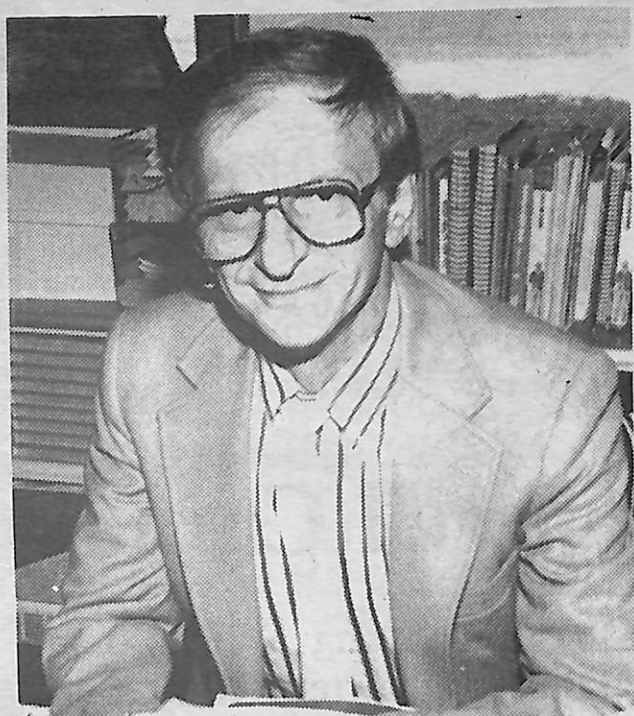
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# Schools



**VINCENT VALENTINE WILL STEP DOWN** as a member of the Agawam School System on September 1st. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Twilight In The Forest At Laughing Brook August 16th

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center, Hampden, will be offering a program entitled "Twilight In The Forest," Saturday, August 16th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Pre-registration is required by August 13th.

Join us as we experience the transition time between day and night.

That is the time when long shadows fill the woods and some animals prepare for a night's rest, while others are just beginning to stir. Participants will enjoy the sights, sounds, and mood of the forest at twilight.

Leading the "Twilight In The Forest" will be Jane McNulty, Laughing Brook's program coordinator.

The fee for "Twilight In The Forest" program is: MAS — \$5/2 family members; \$1 additional; \$3 for individuals; Non-MAS — \$6/2 family members; \$1 additional; \$3.50 for individuals.

## Agawam High Class Of 1987 Plans Benefit Car Wash

The Agawam High School Class of 1987 (senior class) will hold a benefit car wash, Saturday, August 9th, at the Agawam Middle School, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., today announced class President David Giordano.

All proceeds will benefit the senior class.

## Sad Farewell For Teacher Vincent Valentine

by Alexis Ferioli  
School Department Editor

"Every child should have a Mr. Valentine in his life." The above statement was made by Robinson Park School intensive reading teacher Carol Brennan, in regards to the retirement of fellow colleague Vincent Valentine, who officially concludes his 32-year career with the Agawam School System September 1st.

Affectionately known as "Mr. V" to his students, the veteran fourth grade teacher was synonymous with the former Faolin Peirce School, where he taught for 29 years.

Due to the closing of the Springfield Street elementary school, Valentine was transferred to Robinson Park School, where he has remained for the past three years.

Valentine points out that his decision to retire was based on a desire to travel and enjoy himself while still relatively young and healthy.

A graduate of American International College where he received a bachelor of arts degree in elementary education, the young educator traveled a year prior to his employment as a fifth grade teacher at Peirce School.

As the result of phasing out that grade level a year later, Valentine was offered the position of fourth grade teacher, which he has retained throughout his tenure.

Teaching under the guidance of four principals (Thelma Meadon, Barbara Skolnick, Smith Rovelli, and Barbara Kimball) while at Peirce School, he was happy to be reunited with Mrs. Skolnick upon arriving at Robinson Park School.

"Mr. Valentine has always set exceptionally high standards for his students, especially in the language arts. He has given many years of services above and beyond most classroom teachers. He's a master teacher whom I'm sorry to see leave," states Mrs. Skolnick.

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Valentine relates that he has always enjoyed instruc-

ing fourth graders, since students at that age are more openminded and eager to learn.

He further notes that fourth grade level is a year of self-discovery where youngsters become more aware of their future potential.

Valentine states that he will miss working with children since they help him to feel and think young. Having instructed approximately 800 youngsters throughout his career, he hopes to keep his hand in teaching by possibly working as a substitute teacher in the future.

Valentine confides that he will miss his fellow colleagues most. Feted at a retirement party at Bernadino's Restaurant in Chicopee, he was gifted with a video cassette recorder, as well as a tape of his party by fellow co-workers.

"Besides working together for 20 years, Vinnie and I have been close friends who have always complimented each other in the classroom," points out fellow fourth grade teacher Josephine Whitehead. "Perhaps the thing I'll miss most is his willingness to listen to others," she adds.

Mrs. Brennan echoes her colleague's sentiments and states, "Vinnie has always brought a lot of fun into teaching and lifted people's spirits. I hope all the good things he's done for others will come back to him tenfold. It definitely won't be the same without him."

As a farewell gift, Valentine's 32 students presented him with a bouquet of balloons and a VCR storage case which he says he will treasure.

When not traveling, he plans to avidly pursue his hobbies of reading and attending theater productions.

"Although I look forward to my retirement, I'll miss the sound of school bells in September. However, I warned all my students that I would return to Robinson Park School periodically to check on their progress and make sure they are behaving," comments Valentine.

## Annual School Bus Tour Slated For August 22

by Alexis Ferioli

School Department Editor

Attention parents of kindergarten students or first time bus riders!

Agawam Police Safety Officer Sergeant Al Longhi, together with members of the Agawam Junior Women's Club, invite your children to participate in the 13th Annual School Bus Tour, Friday, August 22nd, at the Agawam High School parking lot and the Agawam Public Library.

Both Sergeant Longhi and the Junior Women's Club Safety Bug will be present to speak with children and acquaint them with rules of safety for school bus riding.

The program will also feature a Walt Disney/Winnie-

The-Pooh safety filmstrip, which will be shown at 10:00 and 11:30 a.m., in the library's Community Room.

Following the 20-minute film, the Safety Bug will lead youngsters to the senior high parking lot, where they will learn proper ways to board and exit a school bus, as well as cross a street.

Sergeant Longhi will then drive the youngsters around the parking lot in a school bus.

Sergeant Longhi urges parents to bring their children to this worthwhile event, not only for their own peace of mind, but also to lessen the youngster's apprehension the first day of school.

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## Jeffrey A. Brusig Receives Master's Degree From CBN

Jeffrey A. Brusig, son of Mr. & Mrs. W.J. Brusig, 130 South Park Terrace, Agawam, received his master's degree in communications and public relations from CBN University, Virginia Beach, Virginia, in May.

Brusig graduated from Westfield State College after receiving a state scholarship to attend the school. His bachelor of arts degree was in English.

He served four years in the United States Coast Guard after graduation from Agawam High School in 1976.

Brusig has accepted a position with the Christian Broadcasting Network, Virginia Beach, in the field of advance public relations and security.

## St. David's Church Schedules "Vacation Bible School"

An all-new and exciting program has been prepared by St. David's Episcopal Church for Vacation Bible School, Monday, August 18th to Friday, August 22nd. "Jesus, I Love You" is the theme for the school, to be held each weekday from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Classes will be offered for all ages from nursery (ages two-three) through grade six, plus a Bible Study for adults.

A back-to-basics approach to Christian living is offered in VBS. Bible-based lessons will be taught with excitement and variety (through the use of many teaching methods). Students will be challenged and involved through song time, skits, bible study, visual demonstrations, classroom interaction, craft making, and many other activities in keeping with the theme, "Jesus, I Love You."

The challenging lessons let students and teachers encounter God's love in person. The public is invited to attend.

For further information about attending or helping in the VBS, please contact the church at 786-6133.

## Jr. High Cheerleaders Again Win Awards

The freshmen cheerleaders of Agawam Junior High School and their coach, Frances O'Brien, spent last week at Westfield State College attending the Third Annual NCA Cheerleader Camp.

While at the camp, the seven returners from last year's award-winning team learned many new cheers, jumps, stunts, mounts, and cheerleading techniques. These seven girls will be the leaders of the new squad to be chosen in September, and will then share all this new material with the new cheerleaders.

Each night, the attending squads were required to perform a home cheer and at least one cheer learned at camp that day. They also had to incorporate a jump, stunt, or mount learned at camp into the cheer for evaluation by the counselors.

Each squad was judged on their own ability and potential by the counselors, and if their efforts merited it, were awarded a white, red, or blue ribbon.

Agawam Junior High cheerleaders earned the highest award — three blue ribbons and a red. They also were awarded a "Spirit Stick" to bring home. The Spirit Stick is an award given to squads who exhibit such qualities as spirit, cooperation, and good sportsmanship. The cheerleaders are particularly proud of this award, as it shows their dedication to their ability to work well together.

There was yet another award for this super team. During each nightly evaluation, the counselors nominated those squads who excelled in the incorporation of jumps, stunts, or mounts, and the ability to create a new cheer. The freshmen cheerleaders were nominated in two of the three categories, just missing a nomination in the third, which would have qualified them for the Tournament of Excellence and a chance to go to the national competition in Orlando, Florida, in December.

Just to be nominated for this prestigious competition is an honor and an outstanding accomplishment for a junior high school squad.

One of the most important things that the Agawam Junior High cheerleaders learned at camp is that they not only have the ability and talent to work exceedingly well together, but they also like and care about each other, becoming a unified team ready to accept the challenge of a new year and new squad.

Try-outs for the new squad will be held beginning September 4th, and continue for approximately eight days. Any interested eighth or ninth grade student is invited to try out.

The seven captains for next year are Jackie Cappucelli, Tonya Day, Megan McDade, Barbara Murphy, Jennifer Robinson, Karen Runshaw, and Sarah White.

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The preschool youngsters at Valley Community Church's Day Care Center in Feeding Hills almost see themselves as "farmers-in-training" these days. Under the guidance of teacher Debbie Habiger, the youngsters are seeing the growing results of what this summer's mixture of sun and rain can produce with soil, seed, and gardening skills. They have mini-gardens producing corn, tomatoes, and cucumbers, which will find their ways into the nutritious lunches served at the center.

In addition to the vegetables they're growing, the youngsters also tend a flower garden which has a place of birds will profit from these agricultural pursuits - in beautifying the center. Even the hilltop's protrusion such facility in Agawam, and one of its oldest ones, on South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, is the largest Valley Community Church Day Care Center, located opening its 18th year of service to area children and their families.

## Valley Community Day Care Class Learns About Farming

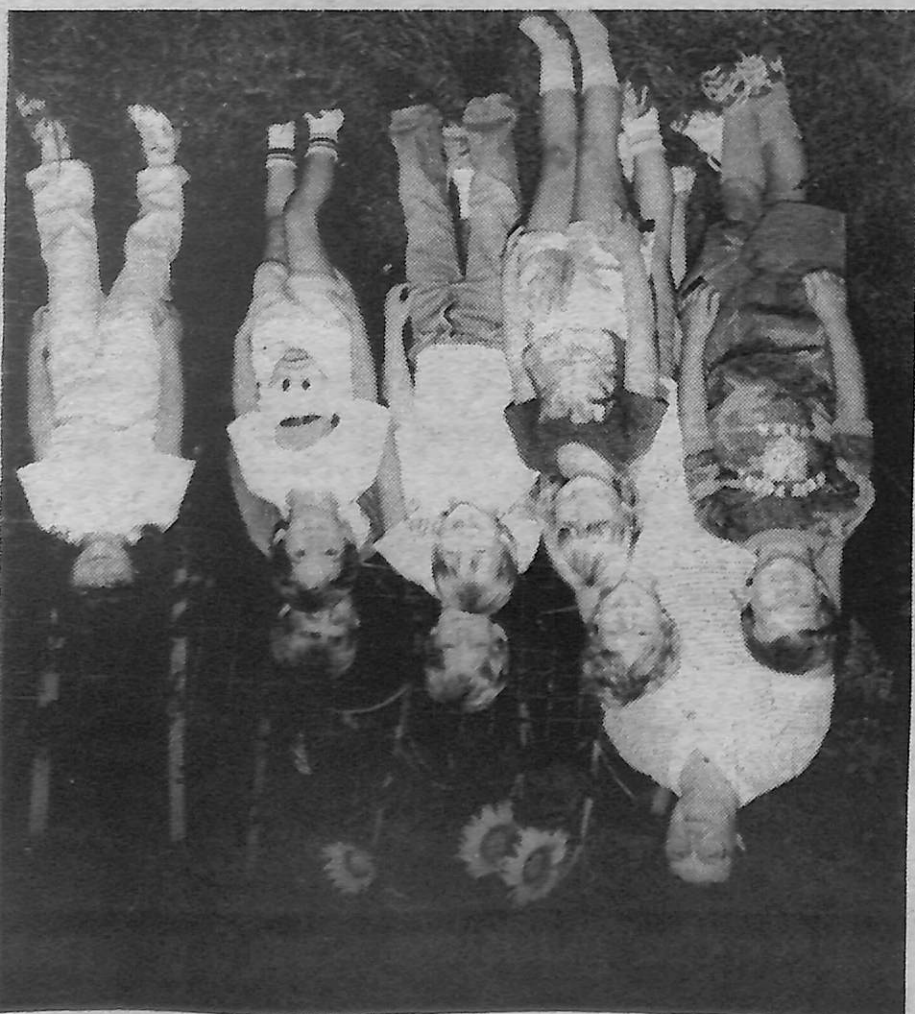
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Valley Community Day Care students learn about farming in their garden with teacher Joyce Geiger. Students are, back row, from left - Dennis Lipstick, Nicholas Mullane, Vincent Smith, and Jason Andras. Front row - Jessica Ritter, Jason Payne, Nathan Smith, and Leanne Ryan. Advertiser News



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Proud of their garden at Valley Community Church are Debbie Habiger, Jamie Callahan, Kevin Collins, Anthony Cross, Aaron Bauer, Nicole Habiger, John Cassidy, Holly Morin, and Andrea Davis. Advertiser News





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BRAD THERIAQUE (left) and his pal Brian Daley leap into the pool to cool-off from a hot summer's day earlier this week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Annual Penny Carnival Next Weeks At Shea's

The Agawam Park & Recreation Department's Summer Camp at Shea's Field will hold one of the long-time highlights of the summer season - the Annual Penny Carnival, Wednesday, August 13th. Everyone who has participated in both the Summer Camp and Camp Rainbow are encouraged to attend the fun-filled event.

The carnival will feature games and booths planned by each counselor and their group. Among the activities are a penny-pitch, face-painting, throw-wet-sponge at camp counselors, beanbag throw, baseball toss, and "throw-a-penny into a jar of water and hope it floats into a cup at the bottom".

Proceeds from the Penny Carnival are given each year to the Muscular Dystrophy Foundation during the Labor Day Jerry Lewis Telethon. Two years ago, the festivities brought in \$130 in pennies. Last year, the camp realized over \$100.

Judy Frech, assistant camp director, said, "I think the game 'dunk the director' is a great game idea." Camp Director Gus Young has his own thoughts on that event, however, hinting at an early retirement from summer camp if that event became a reality.

During arts and crafts sessions over the summer, campers have made bracelets and necklaces with beads, as well as other crafts to be sold the day of the Penny Carnival.

At noontime, as usual, members of the Agawam Lions Club will provide a picnic for the approximately 300 camp participants and their parents. Lions members will be cooking hotdogs, and providing punch, potato chips, and ice cream.

In case of rain, the carnival will be held August 14th

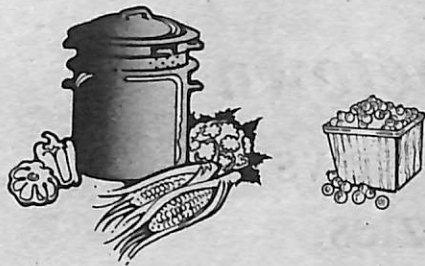
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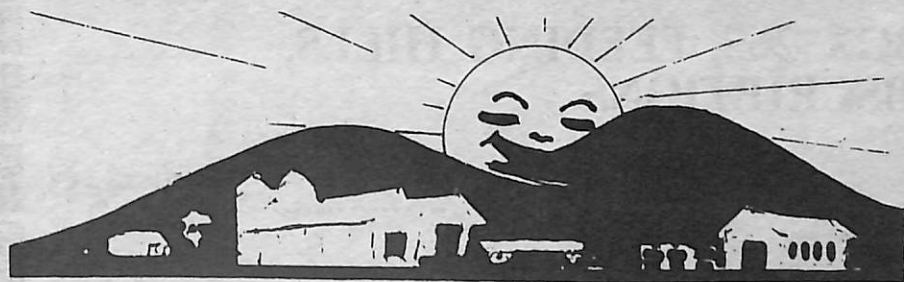
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## Parents Helping Camp Rainbow...



**HELPING-OUT** in the kitchen with the recent Special Olympics at Camp Rainbow at Robinson Park School are parents Bernadette Conte, Linda Stoddard, Rose Sudsbury, Barbara Hayes, Gail Conlon, and Carol Shiveley. Missing is Sue Bednarzyk. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**ENJOYING HAMBURGERS AND HOTDOGS** at Camp Rainbow's Special Olympics last week at Robinson Park Elementary School are students, from left - Theresa Shackford, Brian Conlon, and Karen Hershowitz.

## Lisa M. Markowski To Receive Award From Legion Post

American Legion Post 277, 379 Oak Street, Indian Orchard, will present five \$200 scholarships at its Post Installation Ceremonies, Saturday evening, September 13th.

Receiving the awards will be David M. Condon, 37 Americo Street, Ludlow, who will attend Harvard; Lisa M. Markowski, 103 Park Edge Drive, Feeding Hills, who will attend WNEC; and Cheri L. Steigmeyer, 25 McDonald Circle, Ludlow, who will attend Elmira College.

Also, Joseph P. Ward, 26 Oregon Street, Springfield, who is attending the University of Chicago; and Heidi L. Warner, 128 Polaski Avenue, Chicopee, who will attend Bentley College.

## Airman James Baurle Completes Aircraft Course

Airman James E. Baurle, son of Ruth H. Cosgrove of 31 Greenock Street, Feeding Hills, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force aircraft maintenance course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas.

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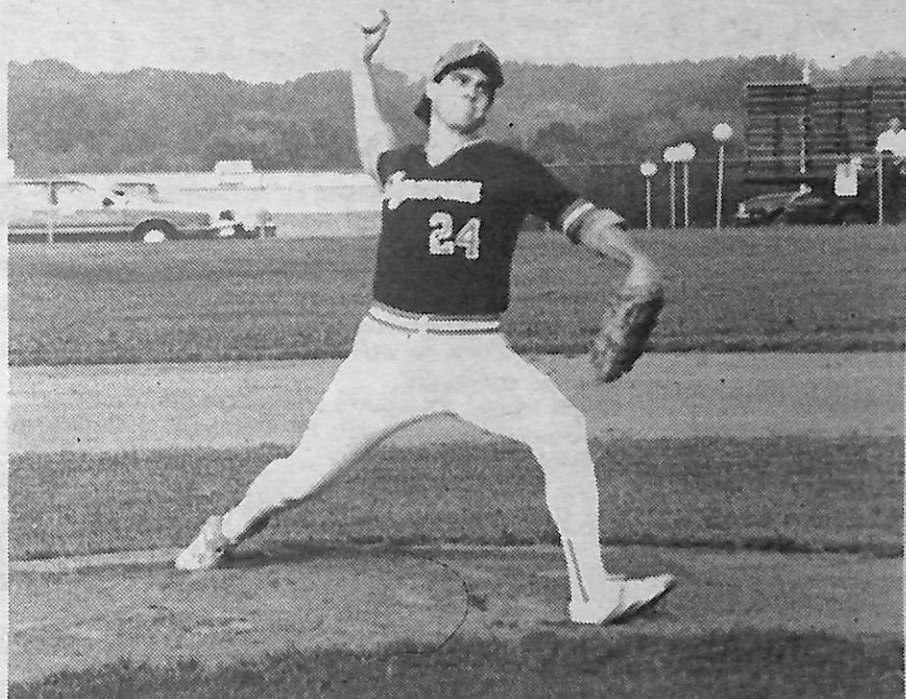
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# Sports



**AGAWAM AUTO SCHOOL'S Pat Herlihy** fires a strike in action last Friday night at Harmon Smith Field. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**SOUTHWICK'S JIM BRUNO**, son of Agawam Superintendent of Schools James V. Bruno, Jr., strokes a basehit in Tri-County Baseball action last Friday night at Harmon Smith Field. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Agawam Auto Falls To 7th After Week's Skid

by Michael S. Sardella  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

On Tuesday, August 5th, Agawam Auto School absorbed a 9-0 beating to Westfield in Tri-County Baseball at Westfield State College. Agawam dropped to 11-19-4 for the summer, and seventh place in the TC circuit, after climbing as high as fifth a week ago. Westfield upped its record to 10-19-2.

One bright spot in what was other a dismal perfor-

mance for Agawam Auto was Tom Murphy who ripped a double for his first TC hit.

Coach Gerry Smith had little to say after the rout. "We just simply played flat and could not mount any kind of an offense," he said.

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On Monday, August 4th, Agawam Auto lost a

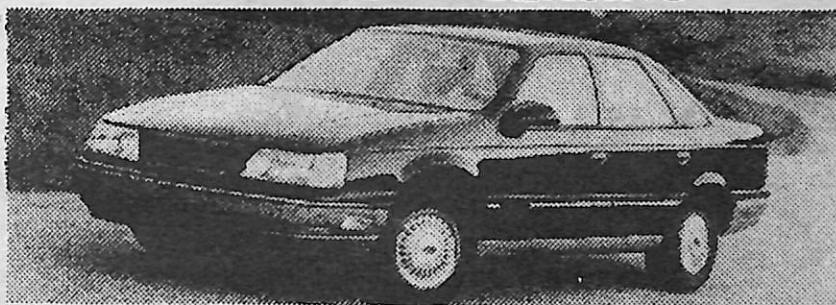
tough, 3-2 decision to Northampton at Harmon Smith Field.

A costly unearned run in the fifth inning came on a couple of Agawam errors, proving to be the difference. That run made it 3-2 and it stuck.

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# Good Season For Agawam Legion

by Michael S. Sardella  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Agawam Post 185 had two consecutive 6-5 records in both rounds of American Legion play to finish at a more than respectable 12-10 for the summer baseball season.

This good showing in 1986 followed a disastrous, 5-21 season in 1985. The major difference between last summer and this summer is Agawam received much better pitching while sporting very heavy lumber at the plate.

Second-year coach Bob Regish commented on the season by noting, "The kids played very hard all season and deserve all the credit. They are a fine group of young men and I'm looking forward to next season."

The leading hitters on the team included Bob Barbarini, .420 and two homers; Jim Kasparian, .406, one homer; Jerry Allen, .386, one homer; Angelo Puppola, .360; and Rob Regish, .317, one homer.

Leading hitter Bob Barbarini will be attending North Adams State College in the fall and may jump into Tri-County Baseball next summer. "Bob is a hard-nosed ballplayer and a sturdy catcher," Regish told us. "He produced with the bat all year and we hope he returns to the team next season."

The pitching staff had more than its share of moments. Jerry Allen led the way with a 5-3 record and

Mike Chausse hurled his way to a 4-1 mark. Rob Regish helped-out with a record of 3-1 and Jim Kasparian also was used on the hill.

The locals lost five games this summer by one run, which causes Regish to continually think about what might have been. "We always seemed to be in very close games throughout the season. Most often, the boys did come through but those one and two-run losses seemed to follow us," Regish said.

Regish received help in the coaching department from Roger Chausse, who recently served as president of the Agawam High School Baseball Booster Club. Chausse's son, Mike, was a team member and a 1986 graduate of Agawam High, having played on the varsity.

"Roger was a very big boost all year long. He kept the kids on their toes and his baseball knowledge proved to be very beneficial," Regish told us.

Regish is also optimistic when looking at next summer's team. "We really look like we'll be in good shape at all positions next season if everyone comes back. Being a year older the team should know what to expect in American Legion play. We look to have good depth and as long as the kids work hard, we should have another fine season."

## TRI-COUNTY - From Page 34...

Luckless Agawam hurler Ron Viens, the former Agawam High School baseball star, pitched well as he allowed just four hits. Smith was all praise for Viens' effort.

"Ron gave us a gutsy performance on the mound and he deserved the win. But those errors came back to haunt us in the end."

Bill Arnold and Todd Ditmar stroked RBI singles in the fourth to provide the runs for the locals.

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On Friday, August 1st, Agawam Auto won a hard-fought, 9-7 slugfest over Auto Parts at Harmon Smith Field.

Leading the locals were Todd Ditmar (3-3) and Mike Burns and Bill Arnold (two hits each).

Pat Herily pitched five strong innings to record his team-leading fifth win of the season.

Agawam raced out to a 9-2 lead paced by Arnold's bases-loaded triple in the very first inning.

Ditmar's 3-3 performance was extra-special because his father was visiting him from Cleveland and viewed the proceedings. Ditmar's father is a former professional ballplayer from 1954-1961, including a few seasons with the New York Yankees.

Another feature of the game was coach Gerry Smith's return to action (that action on the playing field, folks) after more than 20 years of directing traffic from the sidelines. He caught an inning and also had an at-bat.

After fouling-off three pitches, Smith succumbed to the strike-out, but not before putting up a good battle. He later said, "It was fun to get a chance to play again, but I don't think I'll make a habit of it."

In the year of the "old-timers" making big noise in professional sports, those in Agawam will just have to enjoy watching Smith from the bench.

Agawam Auto School plays its final game at presstime against O'Malley Printers at Westfield Vocational High School.

## Big E Alumni To Host Golf Tourney Aug. 17

The public is invited to participate in the 1986 Exposition Area Alumni Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament, Sunday, August 17th, at St. Anne's Country Club, 781 Shoemaker Lane, Feeding Hills.

All golfers in the men's and women's divisions will receive a prize for their efforts on the course, a full-course dinner following the tournament, and the opportunity to participate in a drawing for a color television set. Dinner tickets for non-golfers are also available.

A wide variety of tournament prizes have been

donated by area businesses and individual supporters of the scholarship fund.

Information on registration and starting times is available by calling St. Anne's Country Club, 786-2088. The tournament is one of two annual events sponsored by the Exposition Area Alumni Scholarship Fund Committee to benefit college and college-bound students in the area. All contributions to the fund are tax-deductible.

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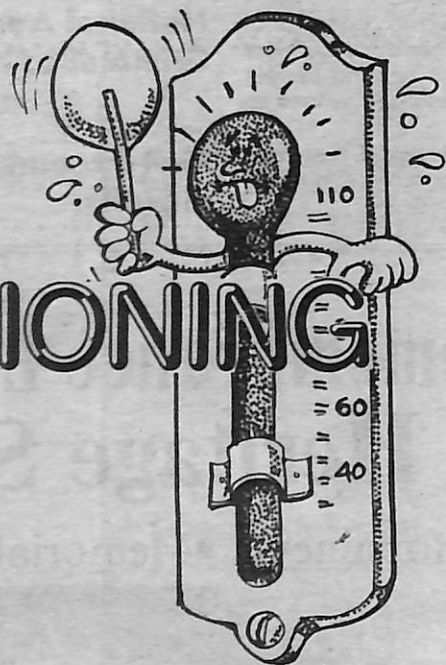
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## Boccasile 4th At Jr. Mr. America Competition

by Michael S. Sardella  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Barry Boccasile of 15 Hillcrest Street, Agawam, placed fourth in the Junior Mr. America contest held in Buffalo, New York, June 28th, in the 5-foot-seven to 5-foot-nine division.

The Jr. Mr. America contest (national competition) was a big step for Boccasile because it was only his second competitive effort since he began the sport of bodybuilding.

He qualified for the prestigious contest by winning the New England Regional Competition in June 1985. This occasion was extra-special for him because it was Boccasile's baptism into the sport.

### Has Qualified For Mr. Universe Competition

By placing in the top five in the Jr. Mr. America contest, the muscle-bound Boccasile has now qualified for the Mr. Universe contest in London, England. He plans to enter this famous event in 1987 or 1988, depending on the progress he makes in the rigorous training process needed to prepare for such an event.

According to Boccasile, a graduate of Agawam High School who is also known for his ability playing musical instruments, most body builders who compete enter several city, state, and regional competitions before attempting a national show.

Naturally, the competition at the national events is of a much higher caliber. Boccasile was a definite underdog at the Jr. Mr. America event because it was only his second appearance before judges.

Boccasile conducts most of his weight training at Big Daddy's Gym in Springfield. He feels that nutrition is the most important factor in becoming a successful body builder, as well as proper training techniques, good rest habits, and good genetics.

His off-season diet is basically for building overall muscle size and it consists of 5,000 to 6,000 calories daily of what he turns "good food. In other words, I don't eat junk food and snack very seldom," Boccasile told us.

Twelve weeks prior to a competition is when this truly massive man really starts his nutritional and balanced diet. Starting at 3,000 calories per day, this figure is gradually reduced to 1,300 to 1,500 calories per day during the last few weeks.

The diet is quite low in fat, consisting of approximately 30 percent protein and 65 percent carbohydrates. The 12-week diet program reduces body fat drastically and brings out optimal muscle definition (when combined with its regular daily weight training and aerobics).

Boccasile feels that whether you're training for the Mr. Universe contest or just trying to stay in shape, a training partner can help tremendously. A training partner works in two ways, Boccasile said. First, he or she will serve as a motivator to maintain the rigid diet and training schedule.

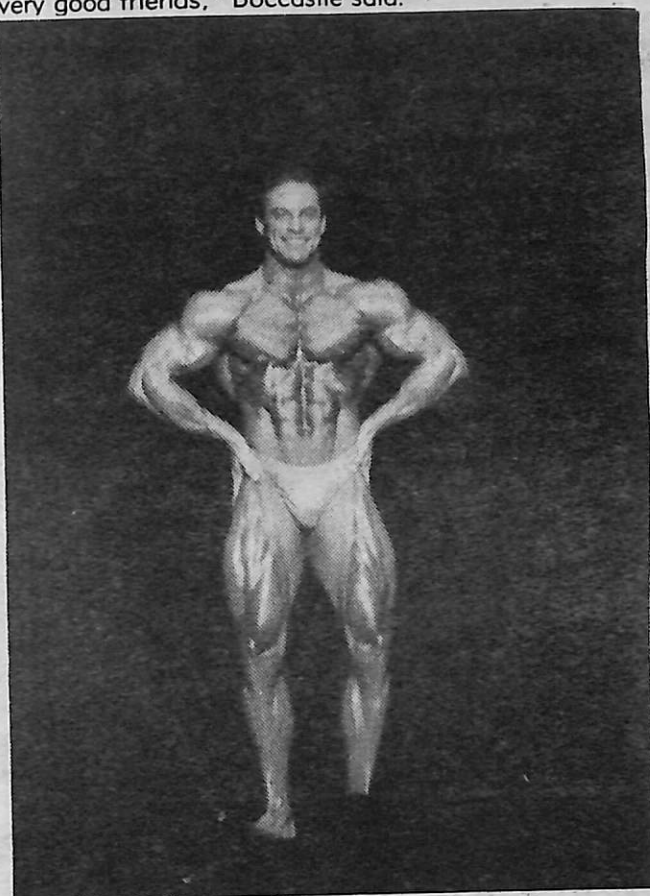
Second, a kind of comradeship and bonds forms between the two that maintains the consistent schedule needed to prepare for the upcoming competition.

### Trained With Another Local Resident

This year, Boccasile trained for the Jr. Mr. America contest with another local resident, Bob LaViolette. LaViolette participated in a body building competition

one week before Boccasile entered the national event. In effect, both were in intensive training at the same time.

Boccasile admitted that as their respective competitions got closer, the emotional factors of keeping such a strict and disciplined lifestyle began to wear on them both. "Both Bob and I were edgy and moody during the last few weeks of training. We had our moments, but we made it through both contests and we remained very good friends," Boccasile said.



**AGAWAM BODY-BUILDER BARRY BOCCASILE** placed fourth in the recent Jr. Mr. America contest. He is a well-known local musician and a graduate of Agawam High School.

LaViolette entered the Atlantic States Competition in Salem, Massachusetts, placing fourth.

Since returning to a somewhat normal pace, Boccasile is in the process of training other body builders for upcoming local events, as well as helping people with personal diet programs and workout routines to suit individual needs.

He points out that everyone's body and nutritional needs are different, so work-out programs and diets have to be prescribed with this in mind.

## Agawam Men's Softball League Standings As Of August 4th

### "A" Division

Village Lounge	22-5-1
State Auto Sales	21-7-0
Ramada Inn	17-10-1
Showcase Entertainment	16-12-0
Feeding Hills Public Market	15-12-1
Buccaneer Lounge	13-15-0
Scrubbers	12-15-1
Tavern Inn	9-18-1
Dante Club	8-20-0
Desi's Place	5-22-1

### "B" National

Dillon's Lounge	23-3-0
Bogey's	18-8-0
Agawam Moose Club	16-10-0
Adit Security	15-11-0
Ken's Parking	15-11-0
Grimaldi's Gamblers	14-12-0
A.T.W.	14-12-0
John's Auto Body	13-13-0
Gino's Package Store	12-14-0
Buccaneer Lounge	11-15-0
Jessica's Lounge	8-17-0
Scoreboard Lounge	6-19-0
Combo Corners	3-23-0

### "B" American

Mushy's Place	26-2-0
Parrotta's Service	22-6-0
Tickets Unlimited	19-8-0
Jiffy Lube	16-12-0
Tri County Sales	16-12-0
Abbett Tax	15-13-0
Broadleaf Auto Sales	9-19-0
Farm Credit Bank	7-20-0
National Aerospace	6-22-0
Grimaldi's Oilers	3-25-0

First 8 teams in each division are in the playoffs.

## Agawam Women's Softball League Standings As Of August 4th

### "A" Division

Buccaneer Red	21-6-1
W.S. Legion 207	20-7-1
Village Lounge	19-8-1
Tavern Inn	18-9-1
Desi's Place	17-9-2
Buccaneer Gold	9-19-0
Agawam Polish Club	4-24-0
Ranch House	1-27-0

### "B" Division

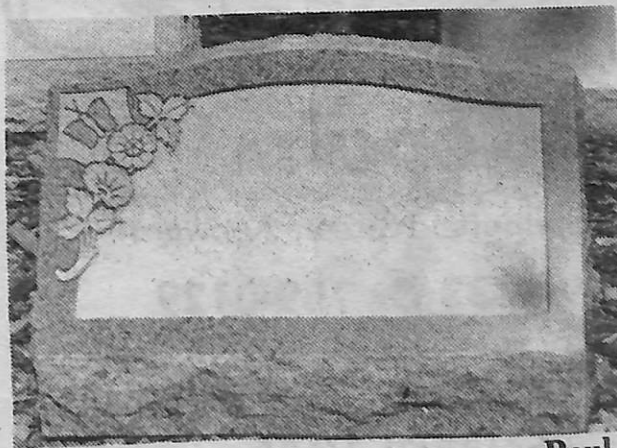
Elbow Lounge	19-7-2
Supreme Courts	19-8-1
Southworth Paper Co.	16-10-2
B.T. Express	14-14-0
**Village Lounge	14-13-1
Bad News Bears	13-15-0
Dirty Louie's	8-20-0
K/L Concrete	7-21-0

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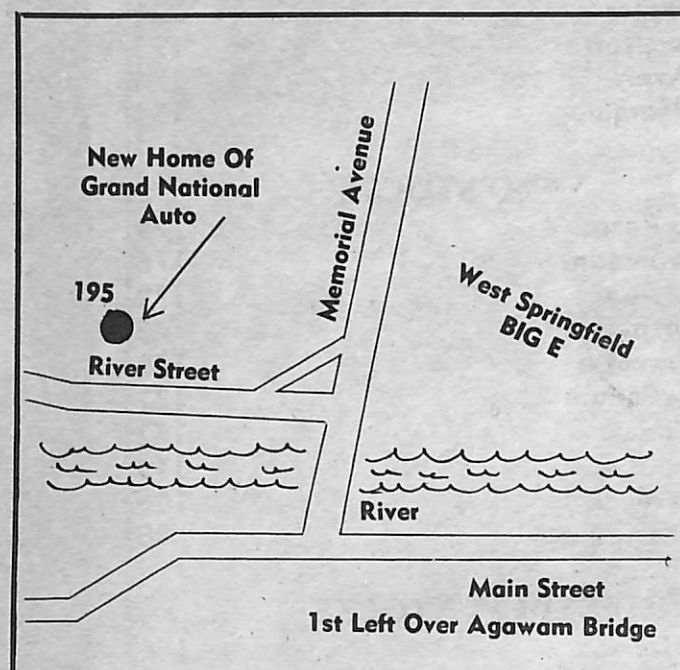
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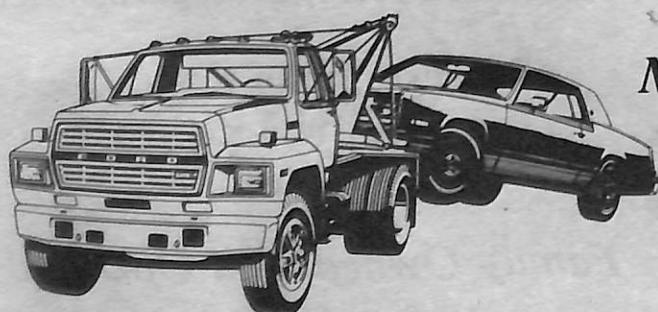


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## Riverside Speedway STANDINGS Points As Of August 3

### MODIFIEDS

1. John Rosati	320
2. R. Ruggiero	278
3. B. Polverari	272
4. M. Stefanik	246
5. S. J. Evonsion	228
6. R. Miller	228
7. S. Greger	226
8. J. Lecuyer	194
9. D. Avery	174
10. J. Marquis	154

### PRO STOCKS

1. Tom Rosati	226
2. P. Suprenant	176
3. F. Colson	172
4. E. Lavoie	142
5. R. Turcotte	132
6. J. McCallum	122
7. D. Caruso	122
8. M. Forino	118
9. M. Widger	106
10. D. Sazarulo	98

### STREET STOCKS

1. Dan Delena	186
1. Tony Morehouse	186
3. J. Lobo	162
4. G. Fiormonti	156
5. L. Scanlon	144
6. T. Barrett	118
7. D. Lavoie	116
8. B. Crunden	114
9. W. Thrall	100
10. D. Choinard	100

## Rosati Brothers Still Leading The Pack At Riverside Speedway

Riverside's 1986 Nascar Winston Racing Series Season is starting to head into the home stretch, and nothing but the best that Nascar and Winston have to offer are battling right at top for the title.

For Agawam's John Rosati and Ron Young's Southwick Motors, its back-to-back titles on the line. Rosati, with three feature wins to his credit, has dominated the number one spot for most of the season, leading with 320 points.

Going into August, the real battle has been for second with Reggie Ruggiero of Forestville, a two-time champion, just eight points ahead of Riverside's only four-time champion, Bob Polverari, 272 points.

In fourth is a multi-feature winner Mike Stefanik with 246 points, just 18 points ahead of the consistent challenges of S. J. Evonsion. Sixth to 10th is Ray Miller (228), Stan Greger (226), Jack Lecuyer (194), Dan Avery (174), and Jerry Marquis (154).

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For the Pro Stocks, it is another first for Riverside as Agawam's Tom Rosati, John's younger brother, and the E.M.S. Service 28 is dominating with an amazing 226 points. Second and moving in is Paul Suprenant, 176. In third, just four points behind, is former champion Fran Colson, 172; fourth is Ed Lavoie, 142; and fifth, Rick Turcotte, 132. Sixth to 10th is Jim McCallum (122), Dave Caruso (122), Mark Forino (118), Mike Widger (106), and Dave Sazarulo (98).

In the Streets, it last year's "September Excitement Series" winner Dan Delena, in front with 186. He is tied with Tony Morehouse (186). Third is Jim Lobo, 162; Gary Fiormonti is fourth at 156; and fifth is Luke Scanlon, 144. The remainder of the top ten looks like this: Tim Barrett (118), Dan Lavoie (116), Brian Crunden (114), Wayne Thrall (100), and Doug Choinard (100).

It's still anyone's race for the total championship and all that goes with the Riverside title. Saturday August 30th, will be the final point race of the 1986 season with all three divisions receiving NASCAR Double Points. In keeping with tradition, it will be even closer as it goes to the wire. Riverside has a great August line-up with the prestigious R.J. Reynolds Winston 200 that includes a \$25,000 purse.

## Agawam Police Assn. - AAA 10-13 Champs

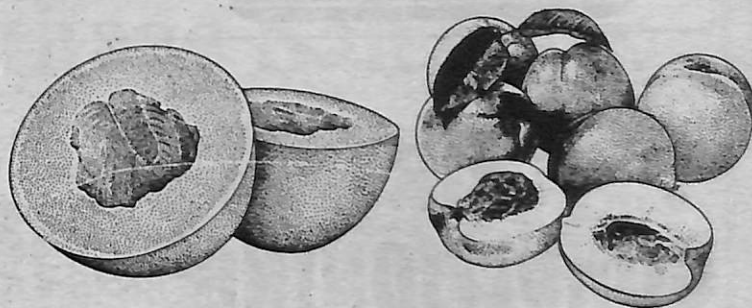


MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION'S boys' 10-13 baseball champions, Agawam Police Association. Team members are, back row, from left - Coach John Hyland, Assistant Coach Don Anderson, Bryan Connery, Daniel Tolio, Richard Kiddy, and Assistant Coach Tom Connery. Front row, from left - Christopher Corgan, Scott Anderson, Todd Hyland, Carl Vivenzio, Scott Mertz, Mike Corgan, Scott Ciak, and Michael Natale.

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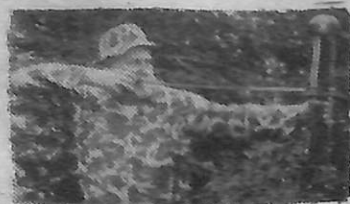
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by Bill Chiba

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He played a leading role in how the west was won in our history. The "mountain men" of yesterday trapped the beaver and founded new lands from mid-America to the Pacific Ocean. He was and is valuable for his fur. Where the beaver made a home, he created a lush, flourishing garden of wild plantlife which other animals of the forest found to their liking. The dams constructed by the crafty animals are most intricate, taking a charge of dynamite to open up when the forester finds that it must be removed for one reason or another.

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During the winter months when beavers often swim under ice, two layers of well-oiled fur and a thick layer of fat insulate their bodies from cold water temperatures. Beavers are able to eat underwater due to two folds of skin on either side of their mouth (behind their front incisors) that seal off water, yet still allow them to eat.

In addition to the above, beavers have large lungs and over-sized livers, allowing for more storage of air and oxygenated blood. They can remain submerged for long periods of time. Furthermore, their respiratory system can tolerate large quantities of carbon dioxide. When taking a breath, beavers recharge their lungs much more completely than humans.

So, when you run across a beaver again, don't think it is just some dumb old animal foolishly chewing up trees. He is a wonder of nature that was created to assist the survival of mankind.

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At Cape Cod, bluefish are up top and bluefish are down deep — take your choice. Charter boat skipers out of Rock Harbor at Orleans report small blues are up on top over the Brewster Flats, off Lieutenant's Island, at Wellfleet (and elsewhere), while larger blues are down deep (in 55 to 60 feet of water where jigging and deep trolling are taking some fish up to 14 pounds or better).

At Nantucket Sound, there is off and on bluefish action along the beaches, from Bass River to Chatham. Offshore, scup and black sea bass are providing good fishing for the sinker bouncers. Fluke action from Stage Harbor to Monomoy continues to be spotty.

## Dayga Printing - SHAA 10-13 Girls' Champs



**MEMBERS OF DAYGA PRINTING**, champions of the Sacred Heart Athletic Association Girls' 10-13 Softball League. Back row, from left - Kathy Goyette (manager), Michelle Desilets, Sandy Albano, Tracy Daborowski, Becky Fila, Bethany Sudbury, and Guy Jediny (coach). Front row - Heather Lafontaine, Katie Stack, Beth Fleury, Sheleen Brown, Shannon Lafontaine, and Kelly Connor. Missing from photo: Kevin Atkinson, assistant coach. Dayga Printing captured first place during the regular season and defeated second place Sliech Auto Body in a three-games series, two games to one. Sliech won the first game, 13-8, but Dayga came roaring back to take the second, 11-8, and the championship game, 16-6. A highlight of game two was Sandy Albano's 10-strikeout performance; and a key throw from centerfielder Katie Stack to second baseman Becky Fila, who tagged-out what would have been the tying run at the time. In the third and final game of the series, the bats of Dayga Printing ruled.

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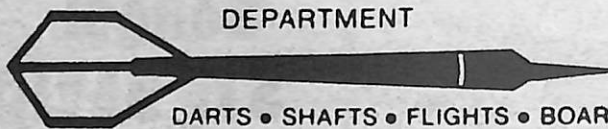
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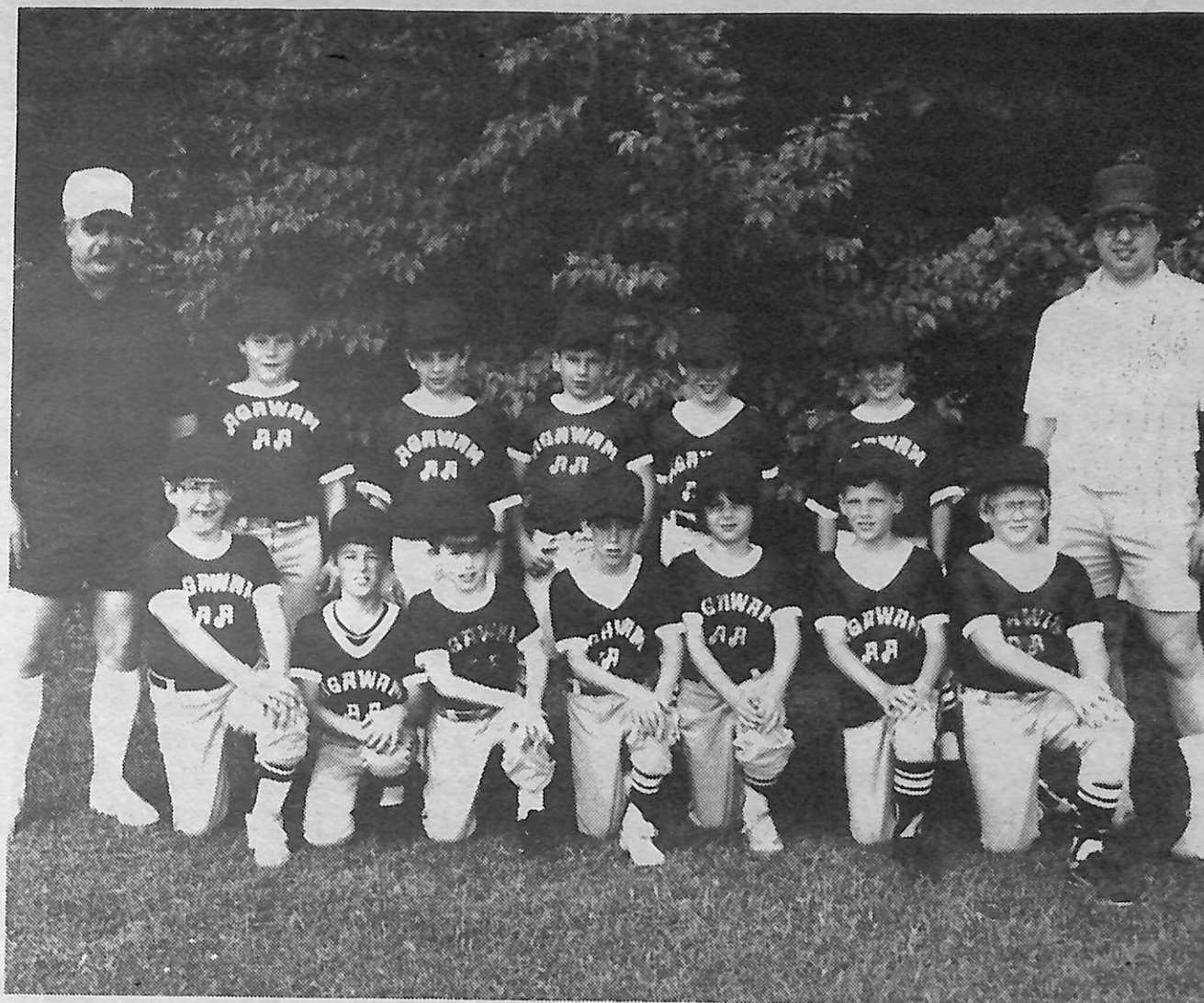
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## Bruno's Pizza - AAA 8-10 Baseball Champs



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## Rain Again Ruins Riverside Speedways Saturday Night Racing

It happened again. Two weeks in a row — rain, rain, and more rain. Riverside Park Speedway should get an award for trying the hardest to get a race program in on a Saturday night.

This past week, the rains again came just as warm-ups began. Riverside's Gene Murphy and Bud Dodge, Jr., waited until 7:00 p.m., and finally were forced to cancel. The news came as a real disappointment. The pit area was filled with cars. There were over 34 NASCAR Modifieds in the pit area, 31 Pro Stocks, and 47 Street Stocks.

All these competitors were in search of over \$2,500 in heat bonus cash, provided by Budweiser (The King of Beers), \$1,000; Riverdale Chrysler, \$500; Swiss Auto & Olivers, \$500; and Teddy Bear Pools, \$500. Because of the rain, another \$1,000 will be added to the program, making it the biggest payday in the history of Riverside, Saturday, August 9th. The Bonus Money will exceed \$3,500 for the heats and consi.

The best news of all is that the race fans will also share in this spectacular event. Riverside will host a 100-lap NASCAR Modified feature, plus a 25-lap Pro Stock feature and a 20-lap Street Stock feature.

Also, as an added bonus, the Atlantic Coast Old Timers will be at Riverside during the day from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. The Atlantic Coast Old Timers will have over 30 cars on hand for a special afternoon show. This will be another bonus for the fans. And the best news of all is that all of this is still family-priced. It's a real deal — 100 laps and three racing divisions for just \$6.95. Kids are admitted for the low, low price of just 95 cents.

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Pro Stock favorites will include Tom Rosati, Mike Widger, John Bergenty, Ed Lavoie, Jerry Marquis, Rick Turcotte, Blaine Belz, and more. In the Streets, it's Dan Delena, Jim Mavlouganes, Gary Fiormonti, John Lobo, Chuck Docherty, and others.

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## LEGAL NOTICE

The Agawam Housing Authority, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids from general contractors for construction of Housing for the Elderly 667-4 and 705-1 in Agawam, MA, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Smits/Vitols Design Group Inc., 1238 Statler Office Building, Boston, MA 02116, telephone (617) 482-4713.

Project consists of 1/ conversion of an existing school building into elderly apartments, with a new addition, on Maple Street 2/ construction of three family townhouses and a barrier-free family unit on Franklin Street. Construction of new work is wood frame with brick veneer or vinyl siding, asphalt shingle roofs. Gross area: approximately 45,000 sq. ft. Work is estimated to cost approximately \$2,605,000.

Bids will be received and publicly opened at the office of the Housing Authority, Meadowbrook Manor, Agawam, MA.

General bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, September 11, 1986.

Filed sub-bids for trades listed below will be received until 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 27, 1986.

General bidders must be certified by the Division of Capital Planning and Operations. (617) 727-4050 to file a Contractor's Qualification Form.

General bids and sub-bids must be accompanied by a bid deposit that is at least five percent of bid amount.

Bid documents will be available for pick-up at the offices of the Architect and the Awarding Authority after 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 12, 1986.

## Sub-Trade

Section 4A, Masonry

Section 9B, Tile

Section 9C, Resilient Flooring

Section 9E, Painting

Section 14A, Elevator

Section 15A, Plumbing

Section 15B, Heating and Ventilating

Section 16A, Electrical

Bidding procedures shall be in accordance with the latest edition of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapters 149 (Sections 44A to 44H inclusive), as modified by Chapter 484 of the Acts of 1984.

Bidders must agree to contract with minority or women-owned businesses as defined by State Office of Minority Business Assistance. Amount of participation reserved for such enterprises shall be not less than 10 percent, of which at least two-thirds must be for minority businesses. Balance may be for either minority or women-owned businesses.

Bidding documents may be obtained upon deposit of a certified or cashier's check for \$50 per set, payable to the Agawam Housing Authority. This deposit will be refunded for up to two sets for general bidders and for one set for sub-bidders, upon return of sets in good condition within thirty days of receipt of general bids. Otherwise, deposits shall become property of Awarding Authority. Additional sets may be purchased for \$50.

Bidders requesting Bidding Documents to be mailed to them shall include a separate check for \$15 per set, payable to Agawam Housing Authority, to cover mailing and handling costs.

The existing building will be open for inspection between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 19, and Wednesday, August 20, 1986. The Architect will conduct a pre-bid inspection of the existing building beginning at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, August 20, 1986.

Bidding Documents may be examined at the following:

1. Dodge Reports, Prudential Tower Suite 320, 800 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02199, tel. (617) 375-2200.

2. Dodge Reports, 181 Park Ave., West Springfield, MA 01098, tel. (413) 788-9407.

3. Master Builders Association, 383 Dorchester Avenue, South Boston, MA, tel. (617) 426-4730.

4. Contractors Association of Boston, 25 Centre Street, Roxbury, MA, tel. (617) 442-4680.

Agawam Housing Authority  
Published: August 7th, 1986

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## NOTICE!

You are hereby notified that a public hearing will be held at Agawam Public Library, in the town of Agawam, Massachusetts, at 7:30 o'clock p.m., on Tuesday, September 2, 1986 upon petition of Western Mass. Electric Company dated July 29, 1986 for permission to: replace faulty cable in the ways or parts of ways designated in said petition, along which designated route of line you are an owner of real estate as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation.

Dated this 5th day of August, 1986.

Information regarding this petition may be obtained from the New England Telephone and Telegraph Co. in Springfield between 8-10 a.m. tel. no. 733-9930.

PETITION NO. AG-1200

STREET: Meadow St. Ext.  
Ursula Retzler  
Clerk of the Council  
Published: August 7th, 1986

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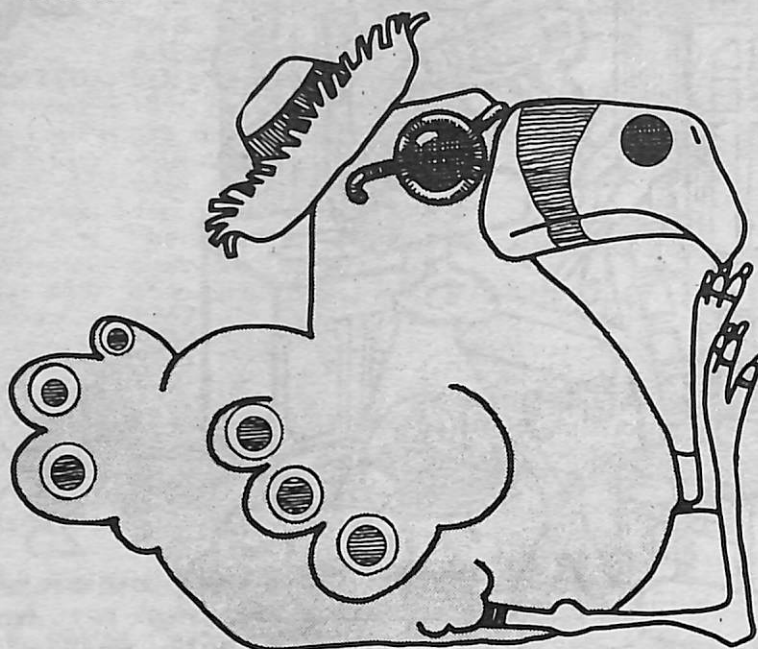
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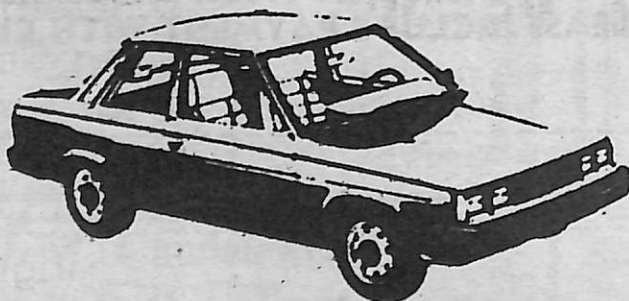


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## AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Agawam Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday, August 14, 1986, at 7:00 p.m., in the Agawam Town Hall, Clerk's Hearing Room, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, is called to act upon the petition of John Franco, to perform work subject to the Act on 15 Riverview Avenue.

Henry A. Kozloski, Chairman  
AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
Published: August 7th, 1986

## LEGAL NOTICE

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The Agawam Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Thursday, August 21, 1986, at 7:00 p.m., in the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing will be for the petition for a modification to an original subdivision plan entitled "Forest View Subdivision," located off of North Street Extension. The purpose of this modification is to allow for the resubdivision of land by Matthew Alaimo.

BY ORDER OF THE AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD  
Charles R. Calabrese, Chairman  
Published: August 7th, 1986

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## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Agawam Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday, August 14, 1986, at 7:15 p.m., in the Agawam Town Hall, Clerk's Hearing Room, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing, pursuant to the provisions of General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, is called to act upon the petition of the Town of Agawam, DPW, to perform work subject to the Act on Sheri Lane.

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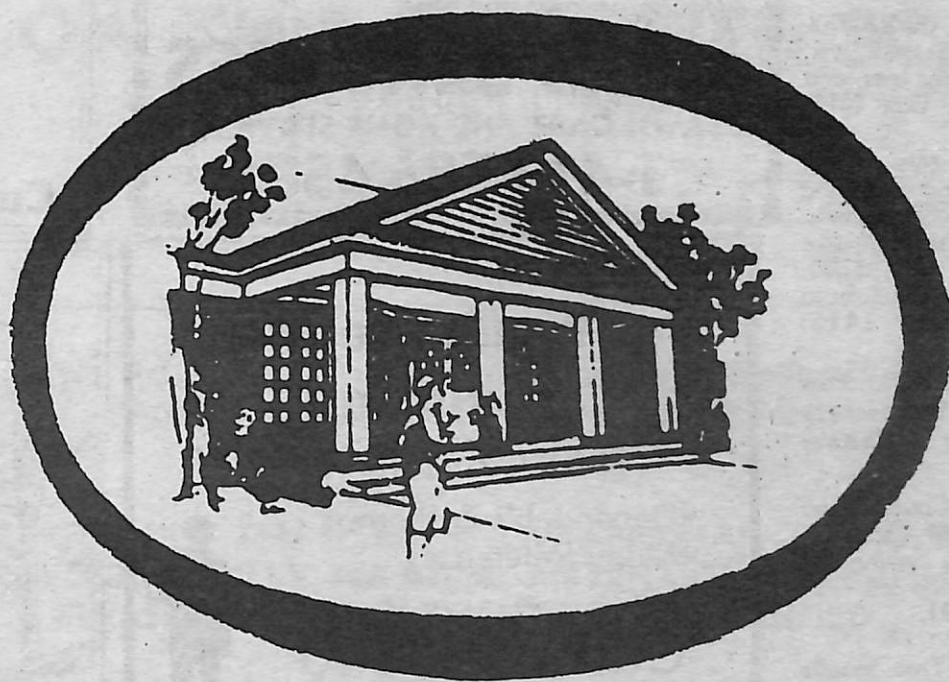
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